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<b>(57) Abstract</b> <p>The present invention provides bacterial immunogenic agents for administration to humans and non-human animals to stimulate an immune response. It particularly relates to the vaccination of mammalian species with pneumococcal derived polypeptides that include an alpha helix but exclude a choline binding region as a mechanism for stimulating production of antibodies that protect the vaccine recipient against infection by pathogenic bacterial species. In another aspect the invention provides antibodies against such proteins and protein complexes that may be used as diagnostics and/or as protective/treatment agents for pathogenic bacterial species.</p>		

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## DERIVATIVES OF PNEUMOCOCCAL CHOLINE BINDING PROTEINS FOR VACCINES

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This invention relates generally to the field of bacterial antigens and their use, for example, as immunogenic agents in humans and animals to stimulate an immune response. More specifically, it relates to the vaccination of mammalian species with a polypeptide comprising an alpha helix-forming polypeptide obtained from a choline binding polypeptide as a mechanism for stimulating production of antibodies that protect the vaccine recipient against infection by pathogenic bacterial species. Further, the invention relates to antibodies and antagonists against such polypeptides useful in diagnosis and passive immune therapy with respect to diagnosing and treating such pneumococcal infections.

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In a particular aspect, the present invention relates to the prevention and treatment of pneumococcal infections such as infections of the middle ear, nasopharynx, lung and bronchial areas, blood, CSF, and the like, that are caused by pneumococcal bacteria. In this regard, certain types of *Streptococcus pneumoniae* are of particular interest.

*S. pneumoniae* is a gram positive bacteria which is a major causative agent in invasive infections in animals and humans, such as sepsis, meningitis, otitis media and lobar pneumonia (Tuomanen, et al. NEJM 322:1280-1284 (1995)). As part of the infective process, pneumococci

readily bind to non-inflamed human epithelial cells of the upper and lower respiratory tract by binding to eukaryotic carbohydrates in a lectin-like manner (Cundell et al., Micro. Path. 17:361-374 (1994)). Conversion to invasive pneumococcal infections for bound bacteria may involve the local generation of inflammatory factors which may activate the epithelial cells to change the number and type of receptors on their surface (Cundell, et al., Nature, 377:435-438 (1995)). Apparently, one such receptor, platelet activating factor (PAF) is engaged by the pneumococcal bacteria and within a very short period of time (minutes) from the appearance of PAF, pneumococci exhibit strongly enhanced adherence and invasion of tissue. Certain soluble receptor analogs have been shown to prevent the progression of pneumococcal infections (Idanpaan-Heikkila et al., J. Inf. Dis., 176:704-712 (1997)).

A family of choline binding proteins (CBPs), which are non-covalently bound to phosphorylcholine, are present on the surface of pneumococci and have a non-covalent association with teichoic acid or lipoteichoic acid. An example of such family is choline binding protein A (CbpA), an approximately 75kD weight type of CBP which includes a unique N-terminal domain, a proline rich region, and a C-terminal domain comprised of multiple 20 amino acid repeats responsible for binding to choline. A segment of the N-terminal portion of CbpA protein forms an alpha helix as part of its three-dimensional structure.

Accordingly, it is an object of the present invention to provide a polypeptide having broad protection against pneumococcal infections.

#### Definitions

In order to facilitate understanding of the description below and the examples which follow certain

frequently occurring methods and/or terms will be described.

"Plasmids" are designated by a lower case p preceded  
5 and/or followed by capital letters and/or numbers. The  
starting plasmids herein are either commercially  
available, publicly available on an unrestricted basis, or  
can be constructed from available plasmids in accord with  
published procedures. In addition, equivalent plasmids to  
10 those described are known in the art and will be apparent  
to the ordinarily skilled artisan.

"Digestion" of DNA refers to catalytic cleavage of  
the DNA with a restriction enzyme that acts only at  
15 certain sequences in the DNA. The various restriction  
enzymes used herein are commercially available and their  
reaction conditions, cofactors and other requirements were  
used as would be known to the ordinarily skilled artisan.

For analytical purposes, typically 1 µg of plasmid or DNA  
20 fragment is used with about 2 units of enzyme in about 20  
µl of buffer solution. For the purpose of isolating DNA  
fragments for plasmid construction, typically 5 to 50 µg  
of DNA are digested with 20 to 250 units of enzyme in a  
larger volume. Appropriate buffers and substrate amounts  
25 for particular restriction enzymes are specified by the  
manufacturer. Incubation times of about 1 hour at 37°C are  
ordinarily used, but may vary in accordance with the  
supplier's instructions. After digestion the reaction is  
electrophoresed directly on a polyacrylamide gel to  
30 isolate the desired fragment.

Size separation of the cleaved fragments is  
performed using 8 percent polyacrylamide gel described by  
Goeddel, D. et al., Nucleic Acids Res., 8:4057 (1980).  
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"Oligonucleotides" refers to either a single  
stranded polydeoxynucleotide or two complementary  
polydeoxynucleotide strands which may be chemically

synthesized. Such synthetic oligonucleotides have no 5' phosphate and thus will not ligate to another oligonucleotide without adding a phosphate with an ATP in the presence of a kinase. A synthetic oligonucleotide  
5 will ligate to a fragment that has not been dephosphorylated.

"Ligation" refers to the process of forming phosphodiester bonds between two double stranded nucleic  
10 acid fragments (Maniatis, T., et al., Id., p. 146). Unless otherwise provided, ligation may be accomplished using known buffers and conditions with 10 units to T4 DNA ligase ("ligase") per 0.5 µg of approximately equimolar amounts of the DNA fragments to be ligated.

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"HPS portion" as used herein refers to an amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:2 for a choline binding protein ("CBP") of a pneumococcal bacteria that may be located amino terminal with respect to the proline rich  
20 portion of the overall amino acid sequence for such CBP.

The terms "identity", "% identity" or "percent identity" as utilized in this application refer to a calculation of differences between two contiguous  
25 sequences which have been aligned for "best fit" (to provide the largest number of aligned identical corresponding sequence elements, wherein elements are either nucleotides or amino acids) and all individual differences are considered as individual difference with  
30 respect to the identity. In this respect, all individual element gaps (caused by insertions and deletions with respect to an initial sequence ("reference sequence")) over the length of the reference sequence and individual substitutions of different elements (for individual  
35 elements of the reference sequence) are considered as individual differences in calculating the total number of differences between two sequences. Individual differences may be compared between two sequences where an initial

sequences (reference sequence) has been varied to obtain a variant sequence (comparative sequence) or where a new sequence (comparative sequence) is simply aligned and compared to such a reference sequence. When two aligned  
5 sequences are compared all of the individual gaps in BOTH sequences that are caused by the "best fit" alignment over the length of the reference sequence are considered individual differences for the purposes of identity. If an alignment exists which satisfies the stated minimum  
10 identity, then a sequence has the stated minimum identity to the reference sequence. For example, the following is a hypothetical comparison of two sequences having 100 elements each that are aligned for best fit wherein one sequence is regarded as the "reference sequence" and the  
15 other as the comparative sequence. All of the individual alignment gaps in both sequences are counted over the length of the reference sequence and added to the number of individual element substitution changes (aligned elements that are different) of the comparative sequence  
20 for the total number of element differences. The total number of differences (for example 7 gaps and 3 substitutions) is divided by the total number of elements in the length of the reference sequence (100 elements) for the "percentage difference" (10/100). The resulting  
25 percentage difference (10%) is subtracted from 100% identity to provide a "% identity" of 90% identity. For the identity calculation all individual differences in both sequences are considered in the above manner over a discrete comparison length (the length of the reference  
30 sequence) of two best fit aligned sequences to determine identity. Thus, no algorithm is necessary for such an identity calculation.

"Isolated" in the context of the present invention  
35 with respect to polypeptides and/or polynucleotides means that the material is removed from its original environment (e.g., the natural environment if it is naturally occurring). For example, a naturally-occurring polynucleotide or polypeptide present in a living organism

is not isolated, but the same polynucleotide or polypeptide, separated from some or all of the co-existing materials in the natural system, is isolated. Such polynucleotides could be part of a vector and/or such  
5 polynucleotides or polypeptides could be part of a composition, and still be isolated in that such vector or composition is not part of its natural environment. The polypeptides and polynucleotides of the present invention are preferably provided in an isolated form, and  
10 preferably are purified to homogeneity.

#### Summary of the Invention

In one aspect the present invention relates to a vaccine for treating or preventing pneumococcal bacterial  
15 infections which utilizes as an immunogen at least one polypeptide truncate of a pneumococcal surface-binding protein, analog, or variant having a highly conserved immunogenic alpha-helical portion (corresponding generally to a "consensus" amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ  
20 ID NO:1) with respect to different types of pneumococcal bacteria, which polypeptide does not include a choline-binding portion. Preferably, the C-terminal choline-binding portion is absent from such polypeptides. More preferred are such polypeptides wherein the HPS amino acid  
25 sequence is also absent. Even further preferred are polypeptides wherein the highly conserved immunogenic alpha-helical portion corresponding generally to a "consensus" amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:1 also corresponds generally to the amino acid sequence  
30 as set forth in SEQ ID NO:19 (amino acids 1 to 103 of SEQ ID NO:19 are identical to amino acids 1 to 103 of SEQ ID NO:1). Also preferred as vaccines are recombinantly-produced, isolated polypeptides that are missing both an HPS portion and the choline-binding portion.

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More preferred as vaccines are one or more polypeptide truncates of pneumococcal surface-binding proteins, analogs or variants including a single highly conserved alpha-helix immunogenic portion with respect to



different types of pneumococci, which polypeptides do not include a C-terminal choline-binding portion. Further preferred are isolated recombinantly produced polypeptides having such structure. Also preferred are such polypeptides that do not include either a C-terminal choline-binding portion or a HPS portion.

The present invention further provides a vaccine comprising a polypeptide including an immunogenic portion that is capable of forming an alpha helix, which polypeptide includes a sequence that has at least 85% identity and preferably at least 87% identity to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, wherein the isolated polypeptide does not include a C-terminal choline-binding portion. Further preferred are such polypeptides that comprise a polypeptide sequence that has at least 85% identity and preferably at least 87% identity to an amino acid sequence according SEQ ID NO:19. Preferably, the sequence of the isolated polypeptide includes neither an HPS portion (SEQ ID NO:2) nor a C-terminal choline-binding portion. Further preferred are isolated recombinantly produced polypeptides having such structure. In particular, such polypeptides corresponding to alpha helical structures of different types of *S. pneumoniae* bacteria are contemplated. Particularly preferred are the serotypes 1-5, 6A, 6B, 7F, 8, 9N, 9V, 10A, 11A, 12F, 14, 15B, 17F, 18C, 19F, 19A, 20, 22F, 23F and 33F of such *S. pneumoniae* bacteria. Examples of such serotypes of bacteria are readily available from standard ATCC catalogs.

In an additional aspect, the present invention further provides a vaccine against *S. pneumoniae* comprising a synthetic or recombinant polypeptide comprising a plurality of alpha-helical portions, each derived from different naturally occurring *S. pneumoniae* choline-binding polypeptides wherein such alpha-helical portions have at least 85% identity to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, and wherein the isolated

polypeptide does not include a choline-binding portion. Further preferred are those wherein the amino acid sequence for the alpha-helix areas is at least 85% identical to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:19.

5 Preferably, such synthetic polypeptide includes neither a HPS portion nor a choline-binding portion. Analogs and variants of such chain structure polypeptides wherein such alpha helical portions may be synthetic variant amino acid sequences (or may be a mixture of naturally occurring and

10 variant sequences) are also contemplated and embraced by the present invention. In a preferred aspect, chain vaccines polypeptides having at least ten different alpha helical structures corresponding to *S. pneumoniae* serotypes 1-5, 6A, 6B, 7F, 8, 9N, 9V, 10A, 11A, 12F, 14,

15 15B, 17F, 18C, 19F, 19A, 20, 22F, 23F and 33F are provided. Further preferred are polypeptides including at least fifteen of such alpha-helical structures, more preferred are polypeptides including at least 20 such alpha-helical structures and more preferred are

20 polypeptides including at least one alpha-helical structure corresponding to each of the *S. pneumoniae* serotypes 1-5, 6A, 6B, 7F, 8, 9N, 9V, 10A, 11A, 12F, 14, 15B, 17F, 18C, 19F, 19A, 20, 22F, 23F and 33F. Another preferred polypeptide comprises each of the alpha helical

25 structures from the amino acid sequences of SEQ ID NOS:3-18 which correspond to SEQ ID NO:1.

In another aspect, the invention relates to passive immunity vaccines formulated from antibodies against a

30 polypeptide including a highly conserved immunogenic portion with respect to different types of pneumococcal bacteria which portion is capable of forming an alpha-helix having the hereinbefore described identity to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, which polypeptide does

35 not include a C-terminal choline-binding portion, wherein said antibodies will bind to at least one *S. pneumoniae* species. Preferably, if such polypeptide is a truncate of a native pneumococcal surface-binding protein both its HPS portion (where applicable) and its choline-binding portion

are absent from such polypeptide. Such passive immunity vaccines can be utilized to prevent and/or treat pneumococcal infections in immunocompromised patients, patients having an immature immune system (such as young  
5 children) or patients who already have an ongoing infection. In this manner, according to a further aspect of the invention, a vaccine can be produced from a synthetic or recombinant polypeptide wherein the polypeptide includes the conserved alpha helical portions  
10 of two or more different choline binding polypeptides of *S. pneumoniae*.

This invention also relates generally to the use of an isolated polypeptide having a highly conserved  
15 immunogenic portion with respect to different types of pneumococcal bacteria which portion is capable of forming an alpha-helix (corresponding generally to SEQ ID NO:1 or to SEQ ID NO:19) wherein the isolated polypeptide does not include a choline-binding portion, to raise antibodies in  
20 non-human mammalian species useful, for example, as diagnostic reagents and vaccines.

In yet another aspect, the present invention relates to the production of a polypeptide including a highly  
25 conserved immunogenic portion with respect to different types of pneumococcal bacteria which portion is capable of forming an alpha-helix whose sequence corresponds generally to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 or SEQ ID NO:19, wherein the isolated polypeptide does not  
30 include a choline-binding portion. Preferably, such recombinant production is of a truncated native pneumococcal surface-binding polypeptide wherein both the HPS portion (where applicable) and the choline-binding portion are absent.

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In still another aspect, the present invention provides an isolated choline-binding polypeptide, wherein the non-choline binding region of such polypeptide has at least 90% identity to the corresponding amino acid

sequence portion of a naturally occurring pneumococcal surface-binding protein which is a member selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS:3-18. The invention relates to fragments of such polypeptides which include at least the conserved alpha-helical portion corresponding generally to SEQ ID NO:1, and which has at least 85% identity thereto, wherein the isolated polypeptide preferably is free of a choline binding region.

10 In another aspect the present invention provides an isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence which has at least 90% identity to one of the amino acid sequences selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:3-18. Preferably, such isolated polypeptide comprises  
15 an amino acid sequence which has at least 95% identity, and more preferably 97% identity, to one of the amino acid sequences selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:3-18. The invention further relates to fragments of such polypeptides.

20 In a yet further aspect, the present invention provides a *S. pneumoniae* CBP polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide that will hybridize under highly stringent conditions to the complement of a polynucleotide encoding  
25 a polypeptide having an amino acid selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS:1 and 3-18. Particularly preferred are polypeptides comprising an amino acid sequence segment that is at least 90% identical to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1. Further preferred are  
30 such polypeptides comprising a contiguous amino acid sequence that has at least 95% identity with respect to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1. And, even more preferred are polypeptides comprising an amino acid sequence that has at least 97% identity with respect to  
35 the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

In another aspect the present invention provides polynucleotides which encode the hereinabove described polypeptides of the invention. The polynucleotide of the

present invention may be in the form of RNA or in the form of DNA, which DNA includes cDNA, genomic DNA, and synthetic DNA. The DNA may be double-stranded or single-stranded, and if single stranded may be the coding strand or non-coding (anti-sense) strand. The polynucleotides which encode polypeptides including the amino acid sequences of at least one of SEQ ID NOS:3-18 (or polypeptides that have at least 90% identity to the amino acid sequences of such polypeptides) may be one of the coding sequences shown in SEQ ID NOS:20-35 or may be of a different coding sequence which coding sequence, as a result of the redundancy or degeneracy of the genetic code, encodes the same polypeptides as the DNA of SEQ ID NOS:20-35.

The polynucleotides which encode the polypeptides of SEQ ID NOS:3-18 may include: only the coding sequence for the polypeptide; the coding sequence for the polypeptide (and optionally additional coding sequence) and non-coding sequence, such as introns or non-coding sequence 5' and/or 3' of the coding sequence for the polypeptide. The polypeptides encoded may comprise just a single alpha-helical portion or multiple alpha-helical portion and may independently or collectively include N-terminal sequences 5' of such alpha helical areas and/or sequences corresponding to the "X" structures or proline rich areas (as set forth in Figure 1, for example).

The invention further relates to a polynucleotide comprising a polynucleotide sequence that has at least 95% identity and preferably at least 97% identity to a polynucleotide encoding one of the polypeptides comprising SEQ ID NO:3-18. The invention further relates to fragments of such polynucleotides which include at least the portion of the polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO:1.

Thus, the term "polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide" encompasses a polynucleotide which includes

only coding sequence for the polypeptide as well as a polynucleotide which includes additional coding and/or non-coding sequence. In particular, the polypeptides may include any or all of the types of structures set forth  
5 schematically in Figure 1.

The present invention further relates to variants of the hereinabove described polynucleotides which encode for fragments, analogs and derivatives of the polypeptides  
10 including the amino acid sequences of SEQ ID NOS:3-18. The variants of the polynucleotides may be a naturally occurring allelic variant of the polynucleotides or a non-naturally occurring variant of the polynucleotides. Complements to such coding polynucleotides may be utilized  
15 to isolate polynucleotides encoding the same or similar polypeptides. In particular, such procedures are useful to obtain alpha helical coding segments from different serotypes of *S. pneumoniae*, which is especially useful in the production of "chain" polypeptide vaccines containing  
20 multiple alpha helical segments.

Thus, the present invention includes polynucleotides encoding polypeptides including the same polypeptides as shown in the Sequence Listing as SEQ ID NOS:3-18 as well  
25 as variants of such polynucleotides which variants encode for a fragment, derivative or analog of the polypeptides of SEQ ID NOS:3-18. Such nucleotide variants include deletion variants, substitution variants and addition or insertion variants.

30 As hereinabove indicated, the polynucleotides may have a coding sequence which is a naturally occurring allelic variant of the coding sequence shown in the Sequence Listing as SEQ ID NOS:20-35. As known in the art, an allelic variant is an alternate form of a  
35 polynucleotide sequence which may have a substitution, deletion or addition of one or more nucleotides, which does not substantially alter the function of the encoded polypeptide.

The polynucleotides of the present invention may also have the coding sequence fused in frame to a marker sequence which allows for purification of the polypeptides of the present invention. The marker sequence may be, for example, a hexa-histidine tag supplied by a pQE-9 vector to provide for purification of the mature polypeptides fused to the marker in the case of a bacterial host, or, for example, the marker sequence may be a hemagglutinin (HA) tag when a mammalian host, e.g. COS-7 cells, is used. The HA tag corresponds to an epitope derived from the influenza hemagglutinin protein (Wilson, I., et al., Cell, 37:767 (1984)).

The present invention further relates to polynucleotides (hybridization target sequences) which hybridize to the complements of the hereinabove-described sequences if there is at least 70% and preferably 80% identity between the target sequence and the complement of the sequence to which the target sequence hybridizes, preferably at least 85% identity. More preferred are such sequences having at least 90% identity, preferably at least 95% and more preferably at least 97% identity between the target sequence and the sequence of complement of the polynucleotide to which it hybridizes. The invention further relates to the complements to both the target sequence and to the polynucleotide sequence that encodes an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS:3 to 18. The present invention particularly relates to polynucleotides which hybridize under stringent conditions to the complements of the hereinabove-described polynucleotides as well as to those complements. As herein used, the term "stringent conditions" means hybridization will occur with the complement of a polynucleotide and a corresponding sequence only if there is at least 95% and preferably at least 97% identity between the target sequence and the sequence of complement of the polynucleotide to which it hybridizes. The polynucleotides which hybridize to the complements of the hereinabove described polynucleotides

in a preferred embodiment encode polypeptides which retain an immunogenic portion that will cross-react with an antibody to at least one of the polypeptides having a sequence according to SEQ ID NOS:3-18, or to a polypeptide  
5 that includes an amino acid sequence which has at least 85% identity to that of SEQ ID NO:1.

In a still further aspect, the present invention provides for the production of such polypeptides and  
10 vaccines as set forth above having a histidine label (or other suitable label) such that the full-length proteins, truncates, analogs or variant discussed above can be isolated due to their label.

15 In another aspect the present invention relates to a method of prophylaxis and/or treatment of diseases that are mediated by pneumococcal bacteria that have surface-binding CBP proteins. In particular, the invention relates to a method for the prophylaxis and/or treatment  
20 of infectious diseases that are mediated by *S. pneumoniae* that have a CBP surface-binding protein that forms an alpha helix (comprising a sequence that has at least an 85% identity to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1). In a still further preferred aspect, the invention relates  
25 to a method for the prophylaxis and/or treatment of such infections in humans.

In still another aspect the present invention relates to a method of using one or more antibodies  
30 (monoclonal, polyclonal or sera) to the polypeptides of the invention as described above for the prophylaxis and/or treatment of diseases that are mediated by pneumococcal bacteria that have CBP surface-binding proteins. In particular, the invention relates to a  
35 method for the prophylaxis and/or treatment of infectious diseases that are mediated by *S. pneumoniae* CBP proteins which include an alpha helical portion having the hereinbefore described identity to the consensus sequence of SEQ ID NO:1. In a still further preferred aspect, the



invention relates to a method for the prophylaxis and/or treatment of otitis media, nasopharyngeal, bronchial infections, and the like in humans by utilizing antibodies to the alpha-helix containing immunogenic polypeptides of  
5 the invention as described above.

### Brief Description of Drawings

Figure 1 is a diagram of a pneumococcal CBP protein which shows from the N-terminal to the C-terminal, respectively, (a) a N-terminal sequence, (b) one of a potential alpha-helical forming area conserved segment (R1) that may not be present in some CBP polypeptides, (c) an optional small bridging sequence of amino acids that may bridge two conserved alpha-helical segments (X), (d) a second of a potential alpha-helical forming area consensus sequence (R2) related to the first consensus sequence (which corresponds to SEQ ID NO:1), (e) a proline rich area sequence, (f) a choline binding repeats area, and (g) a C-terminal tail sequence. Where relevant, an optional HPS sequence may naturally occur 5' of the proline rich sequence and 3' of the R1, X, and/or R2 areas.

Figure 2 reports the results for passive immunity protection against 1600 cfu virulent serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae* SP317 (in mice) that was provided by day 31 rabbit antisera to a pneumococcal CBP truncate polypeptide, NR1XR2 (truncate missing both the proline and the choline binding areas, but including two conserved alpha-helical areas R1 and R2). Eighty percent of the mice immunized with the truncate antisera prior to challenge survived the 14 day observation period. By contrast, all mice immunized with a control sera (pre-immune rabbit sera) were dead by day 7.

Figure 3 reports the results for passive immunity protection against 3450 cfu virulent serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae* SP317 (in mice) that was provided by day 52 rabbit antisera to a pneumococcal CBP truncate polypeptide, NR1XR2 (truncate missing both the proline and the choline binding areas, but including two conserved alpha-helical areas R1 and R2). One hundred percent of the mice immunized with the truncate antisera prior to challenge survived the 10 day observation period. By

contrast, ninety percent of the mice immunized with a control sera (pre-immune rabbit sera) were dead at day 10.

Figure 4 reports the results for passive immunity protection against 580 cfu virulent serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae* SPSJ2 (in mice) that was provided by day 31 rabbit antisera to a pneumococcal CBP truncate polypeptide, NR1XR2 (truncate missing both the proline and the choline binding areas, but including two conserved alpha-helical areas R1 and R2). Fifty percent of the mice immunized with the truncate antisera prior to challenge survived the 10 day observation period. By contrast, all mice immunized with a control sera (pre-immune rabbit sera) were dead by day 8.

Figure 5 reports the results for active immunity protection against 560 cfu virulent serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae* SPSJ2 (in mice) that was provided by immunization with a pneumococcal CBP truncate polypeptide, NR1X (truncate missing the second conserved alpha-helical area R2, as well as both the proline and the choline binding areas). Eighty percent of the mice actively immunized with the NR1X CBP truncate prior to challenge survived the 14 day observation period. By contrast, all mice immunized with a control (sham mice) of PBS and adjuvant were dead by day 8.

Figure 6 reports the results for active immunity protection against 680 cfu virulent serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae* SPSJ2 (in mice) that was provided by immunization with a pneumococcal CBP truncate polypeptide, NR1XR2 (truncate missing both the proline and the choline binding areas, but including two conserved alpha-helical areas R1 and R2). Fifty percent of the mice actively immunized with the NR1XR2 CBP truncate prior to challenge survived the 14 day observation period. By contrast, all mice immunized with a control (SP90) protein and adjuvant were dead by day 9.

Figure 7 is an alignment report of the amino terminus of CBP polypeptides from various types of *S. pneumoniae* and a consensus sequence is reported at the top of each row (sets of lines) of the comparison. The  
5 consensus sequence for the comparison is listed as the "Majority" sequence (SEQ ID NO:36). One letter codes are utilized to represent the sequences which are aligned for a "best fit" comparison wherein dashes in a sequence indicate spacing gaps of the contiguous sequence.

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Figure 8 shows the sequence pair distances for the amino acid sequences as described for Figure 7 and set forth therein. A Clustal method with identity residue weight table is used. The percent similarity for such a  
15 comparison is reported for the amino acid sequences set forth in Figure 7.

Figure 9 is an alignment report for a first helical region in the amino acid sequences of CBP polypeptides  
20 from various types of *S. pneumoniae* and a consensus sequence is reported at the top of each row (sets of lines) of the comparison. The consensus sequence for the comparison is listed as the "Majority" sequence (SEQ ID NO:38). One letter codes are utilized to represent the  
25 sequences which are aligned for a "best fit" comparison wherein dashes in a sequence indicate spacing gaps of the contiguous sequence.

Figure 10 shows the sequence pair distances for the  
30 amino acid sequences as described for Figure 9 and set forth therein. A Clustal method with identity residue weight table is used. The percent similarity for such a comparison is reported for the amino acid sequences set forth in Figure 9.

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Figure 11 is an alignment report for the region X in the amino acid sequences of CBP polypeptides from various types of *S. pneumoniae* and a consensus sequence is reported at the top of each row (sets of lines) of the

comparison. The consensus sequence for the comparison is listed as the "Majority" sequence (SEQ ID NO:37). One letter codes are utilized to represent the sequences which are aligned for a "best fit" comparison wherein dashes in a sequence indicate spacing gaps of the contiguous sequence.

Figure 12 shows the sequence pair distances for the amino acid sequences as described for Figure 11 and set forth therein. A Clustal method with identity residue weight table is used. The percent similarity for such a comparison is reported for the amino acid sequences set forth in Figure 11.

Figure 13 is an alignment report for the second helical region A in the amino acid sequences of CBP polypeptides from various types of *S. pneumoniae* and a consensus sequence is reported at the top of each row (sets of lines) of the comparison. The consensus sequence for the comparison is listed as the "Majority" sequence (SEQ ID NO:1). One letter codes are utilized to represent the sequences which are aligned for a "best fit" comparison wherein dashes in a sequence indicate spacing gaps of the contiguous sequence.

Figure 14 shows the sequence pair distances for the amino acid sequences as described for Figure 13 and set forth therein. A Clustal method with identity residue weight table is used. The percent similarity for such a comparison is reported for the amino acid sequences set forth in Figure 13.

Figure 15 is an alignment report for the second helical region B in the amino acid sequences of CBP polypeptides from various types of *S. pneumoniae* and a consensus sequence is reported at the top of each row (sets of lines) of the comparison. The consensus sequence for the comparison is listed as the "Majority" sequence (SEQ ID NO:19). One letter codes are utilized to

represent the sequences which are aligned for a "best fit" comparison wherein dashes in a sequence indicate spacing gaps of the contiguous sequence.

5           Figure 16 shows the sequence pair distances for the amino acid sequences as described for Figure 15 and set forth therein. A Clustal method with identity residue weight table is used. The percent similarity for such a comparison is reported for the amino acid sequences set  
10   forth in Figure 15.

### Detailed Description of the Invention

15           In accordance with an aspect of the present invention there is provided a vaccine to produce a protective response against *S. pneumoniae* infections which employs a polypeptide which comprises a member selected from the group consisting of:

20           (a) an amino acid sequence which produces an alpha helical structure and which is at least 85% identical to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 and which is free of a choline binding region, and

             (b) an isolated truncate of a naturally occurring  
25   *S. pneumoniae* polypeptide that comprises an alpha helical portion that has at least 85% identity to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 and is free of a choline binding region,

             (c) an isolated truncate of a naturally occurring  
30   *S. pneumoniae* polypeptide that comprises an alpha helical portion that has at least 90% identity to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:19 and is free of a choline binding region. In a preferred aspect, such isolated truncate polypeptide is a member selected from the group consisting  
35   of SEQ ID NOS:3-18 and said isolated polypeptide is free of a choline binding region and, if relevant, a HPS region; or a fragment thereof which includes at least the alpha helical segment which corresponds to the consensus sequence of SEQ ID NO:1. Particularly preferred are

vaccines which utilize such truncate polypeptides that include at least such alpha helical area or utilize a recombinant immunogen polypeptide comprising at least two of such alpha-helical segments. Such polypeptide may be  
5 a recombinant polypeptide containing multiple alpha-helical areas from one or more truncates. Further preferred are recombinant immunogen polypeptides comprising at least two alpha-helical areas corresponding to the alpha helical areas of two or more truncates from  
10 different types of pneumococcal bacteria. Such polypeptide may be a recombinant polypeptide containing multiple alpha-helical areas from one or more different types of pneumococcal bacteria.

15 In accordance with the present invention, there is provided an isolated polypeptide comprising a truncated surface-binding polypeptide derived from *S. pneumoniae*, said isolated polypeptide containing an alpha-helical area whose amino acid sequence corresponds generally to the  
20 amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, but free of a choline binding area. Preferably, said isolated polypeptide also omits any naturally occurring repeats of the alpha-helical forming area and omits any HPS amino acid sequence that may be present.

25 It is an object of the present invention to utilize as immunogenic composition for a vaccine (or to produce antibodies for use as a diagnostic or as a passive vaccine) comprising an immunogenic polypeptide comprising  
30 a pneumococcal surface-binding polypeptide with an alpha helical portion from which a choline binding region has been omitted. In one embodiment, such truncated proteins (naturally or recombinantly produced, as well as functional analogs) from *S. pneumoniae* bacteria are contemplated.  
35 Even more particularly, *S. pneumoniae* polypeptides having a single alpha helical portion that omit any HPS areas that occur and choline binding areas of the native protein are contemplated.

A particularly preferred embodiment of such an immunogenic composition is for use as a vaccine (or as an immunogen for producing antibodies useful for diagnostics or vaccines) wherein the active component of the immunogenic composition is an isolated polypeptide comprising at least one member selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) an amino acid sequence which is selected from SEQ ID NOS:3-19,
- (b) a polypeptide which has at least 90% identity to (a), preferably at least 95% identity to (a), and even more preferred at least 97% identity to (a), or
- (c) a fragment of (a) or (b) wherein such fragment includes at least one alpha helical portion that corresponds to the consensus sequence which is SEQ ID NO:1 and said fragment does not comprise a choline binding region. Preferably, such vaccines utilize a polypeptide that contains neither a choline binding region nor an HPS region that occurs as part of the amino acid sequences in the native proteins.

In another preferred embodiment, there is provided a vaccine which includes at least one isolated polypeptide which includes an amino acid sequence which has at least 85% identity (preferably 87% identity and more preferably at least 90% identity) to SEQ ID NO:1, which isolated polypeptide is free of a choline binding portion and, where applicable, is also preferably free of an HPS portion. The preferred polypeptide may also include one or more of the N-terminal sequences that are located 5' of the alpha helical areas in the polypeptides having an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS:3-18, or the like. The polypeptide truncate may also include one or more of the proline regions (region "P" in Figure 1) and/or the spanning region (region "X" in Figure 1).

In another aspect of the invention, such an immunogenic composition may be utilized to produce



antibodies to diagnose pneumococcal infections, or to produce vaccines for prophylaxis and/or treatment of such pneumococcal infections as well as booster vaccines to maintain a high titer of antibodies against the immunogen(s) of the immunogenic composition.

While other antigens have been contemplated to produce antibodies for diagnosis and for the prophylaxis and/or treatment of pneumococcal infections, there is a need for improved or more efficient vaccines. Such vaccines should have an improved or enhanced effect in preventing bacterial infections mediated pneumococci having surface-binding polypeptides. Further, to avoid unnecessary expense and provide broad protection against a range of pneumococcal serotypes there is a need for polypeptides that comprise an immunogenic amino acid sequence corresponding to a portion of pneumococcal surface-binding polypeptides that is a highly conserved portion among various types of pneumococci. Preferably, such polypeptides avoid the inclusion of amino acid sequences corresponding to other portions of the native polypeptides, such as the choline binding region and/or the HPS region.

There is a need for improved antigenic compositions comprising highly conserved portions of polypeptides that bind to the surface of pneumococcal bacteria for stimulating high-titer specific antisera to provide protection against infection by pathogenic pneumococcal bacteria and also for use as diagnostic reagents.

In such respect, truncated polypeptides, functional variant analogs, and recombinantly produced truncated polypeptides of the invention are useful as immunogens for preparing vaccine compositions that stimulate the production of antibodies that can confer immunity against pathogenic species of bacteria. Further, preparation of vaccines containing purified proteins as antigenic ingredients are well known in the art.

Generally, vaccines are prepared as injectables, in the form of aqueous solutions or suspensions. Vaccines in an oil base are also well known such as for inhaling.

5 Solid forms which are dissolved or suspended prior to use may also be formulated. Pharmaceutical carriers are generally added that are compatible with the active ingredients and acceptable for pharmaceutical use. Examples of such carriers include, but are not limited to,

10 water, saline solutions, dextrose, or glycerol. Combinations of carriers may also be used.

Vaccine compositions may further incorporate additional substances to stabilize pH, or to function as

15 adjuvants, wetting agents. or emulsifying agents, which can serve to improve the effectiveness of the vaccine.

Vaccines are generally formulated for parenteral administration and are injected either subcutaneously or

20 intramuscularly. Such vaccines can also be formulated as suppositories or for oral administration, using methods known in the art.

The amount of vaccine sufficient to confer immunity

25 to pathogenic bacteria is determined by methods well known to those skilled in the art. This quantity will be determined based upon the characteristics of the vaccine recipient and the level of immunity required. Typically, the amount of vaccine to be administered will be

30 determined based upon the judgment of a skilled physician.

Where vaccines are administered by subcutaneous or intramuscular injection, a range of 50 to 500  $\mu$ g purified protein may be given.

35 The term "patient in need thereof" refers to a human that is infected with, or likely, to be infected with, pathogenic pneumococcal bacteria that produce CbpA, or the like, preferably *S. pneumoniae* bacteria (however a mouse

model can be utilized to simulate such a patient in some circumstances).

In addition to use as vaccines, the polypeptides of the present invention can be used as immunogens to stimulate the production of antibodies for use in passive immunotherapy, for use as diagnostic reagents, and for use as reagents in other processes such as affinity chromatography.

The polynucleotides encoding the immunogenic polypeptides described above may also have the coding sequence fused in frame to a marker sequence which allows for purification of the polypeptides of the present invention. The marker sequence may be, for example, a hexa-histidine tag supplied by a pQE-9 vector to provide for purification of the mature polypeptides fused to the marker in the case of a bacterial host, or, for example, the marker sequence may be a hemagglutinin (HA) tag when a mammalian host, e.g. COS-7 cells, is used. The HA tag corresponds to an epitope derived from the influenza hemagglutinin protein (Wilson, I., et al., Cell, 37:767 (1984)).

The identification of multiple coil structures of alpha helical amino acid segments in the *S. pneumoniae* polypeptides according to the invention may be determined by the location of proline rich areas with respect to one another. Further the "X" area optionally located between two or more alpha-helical structures can play a part in the formation of a coil within a coil structure. Standard three-dimensional protein modeling may be utilized for determining the relative shape of such structures. An example of a computer program, the Paircoil Scoring Form Program ("PairCoil program"), useful for such three-dimensional protein modelling is described by Berger et al. in the Proc. Natl. Acad. of Sci. (USA), 92:8259-8263 (August 1995). The PairCoil program is described as a computer program that utilizes a mathematical algorithm to

predict locations of coiled-coil regions in amino acid sequences. A further example of such a computer program is described by Wolf et al., Protein Science 6:1179-1189 (June 1997) which is called the Multicoil Scoring Form  
5 Program ("Multicoil program"). The MultiCoil program is based on the PairCoil algorithm and is useful for locating dimeric and trimeric coiled coils .

In a preferred aspect, the invention provides for  
10 recombinant production of such polypeptides in a host bacterial cell other than a *S. pneumoniae* species host to avoid the inclusion of native surface-binding polypeptides that have a choline binding region. A preferred host is a species of such bacteria that can be cultured under  
15 conditions such that the polypeptide of the invention is secreted from the cell.

The present invention also relates to vectors which include polynucleotides encoding one or more of the  
20 polypeptides of the invention that include the highly conserved alpha-helical amino acid sequence in the absence of an area encoding a choline binding amino acid sequence, host cells which are genetically engineered with vectors of the invention and the production of such immunogenic  
25 polypeptides by recombinant techniques in an isolated and substantially immunogenically pure form.

Host cells are genetically engineered (transduced or transformed or transfected) with the vectors comprising a  
30 polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide comprising the highly conserved alpha-helical region but not having a choline binding region, or the like of this invention which may be, for example, a cloning vector or an expression vector. The vector may be, for example, in the  
35 form of a plasmid, a viral particle, a phage, etc. The engineered host cells can be cultured in conventional nutrient media modified as appropriate for activating promoters, selecting transformants or amplifying the polynucleotides which encode such polypeptides. The

culture conditions, such as temperature, pH and the like, are those previously used with the host cell selected for expression, and will be apparent to the ordinarily skilled artisan.

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Vectors include chromosomal, nonchromosomal and synthetic DNA sequences, e.g., derivatives of SV40; bacterial plasmids; phage DNA; baculovirus; yeast plasmids; vectors derived from combinations of plasmids and phage DNA, viral DNA such as vaccinia, adenovirus, fowl pox virus, and pseudorabies. However, any other vector may be used as long as it is replicable and viable in the host.

15 The appropriate DNA sequence may be inserted into the vector by a variety of procedures. In general, the DNA sequence is inserted into an appropriate restriction endonuclease site(s) by procedures known in the art. Such procedures and others are deemed to be within the scope of those skilled in the art.

The DNA sequence in the expression vector is operatively linked to an appropriate expression control sequence(s) (promoter) to direct mRNA synthesis. As representative examples of such promoters, there may be mentioned: LTR or SV40 promoter, the E. coli. lac or trp, the phage lambda P<sub>L</sub> promoter and other promoters known to control expression of genes in prokaryotic or eukaryotic cells or their viruses. The expression vector also contains a ribosome binding site for translation initiation and a transcription terminator. The vector may also include appropriate sequences for amplifying expression.

35 In addition, the expression vectors preferably contain one or more selectable marker genes to provide a phenotypic trait for selection of transformed host cells such as dihydrofolate reductase or neomycin resistance for eukaryotic cell culture, or such as tetracycline or ampi-

cillin resistance in E. coli.

The vector containing the appropriate DNA sequence as hereinabove described, as well as an appropriate promoter or control sequence, may be employed to transform an appropriate host to permit the host to express the proteins.

As representative examples of appropriate hosts, there may be mentioned: bacterial cells, such as E. coli, Streptomyces, Salmonella typhimurium; fungal cells, such as yeast; insect cells such as Drosophila S2 and Spodoptera Sf9; animal cells such as CHO, COS or Bowes melanoma; adenoviruses; plant cells, etc. The selection of an appropriate host is deemed to be within the scope of those skilled in the art from the teachings herein.

More particularly, the present invention also includes recombinant constructs comprising one or more of the sequences as broadly described above. The constructs comprise a vector, such as a plasmid or viral vector, into which a sequence of the invention has been inserted, in a forward or reverse orientation. In a preferred aspect of this embodiment, the construct further comprises regulatory sequences, including, for example, a promoter, operably linked to the sequence. Large numbers of suitable vectors and promoters are known to those of skill in the art, and are commercially available. The following vectors are provided by way of example. Bacterial: pQE70, pQE60, pQE-9 (Qiagen, Inc.), pbs, pD10, phagescript, psiX174, pbluescript SK, pbsks, pNH8A, pNH16a, pNH18A, pNH46A (Stratagene); ptrc99a, pKK223-3, pKK233-3, pDR540, pRIT5 (Pharmacia). Eukaryotic: pWLNEO, pSV2CAT, pOG44, pXT1, pSG (Stratagene) pSVK3, pBPV, pMSG, pSVL (Pharmacia). However, any other plasmid or vector may be used as long as they are replicable and viable in the host.

Promoter regions can be selected from any desired

gene using CAT (chloramphenicol transferase) vectors or other vectors with selectable markers. Two appropriate vectors are pKK232-8 and pCM7. Particular named bacterial promoters include lacI, lacZ, T3, T7, gpt, lambda P<sub>R</sub>, P<sub>L</sub> and TRP. Eukaryotic promoters include CMV immediate early, HSV thymidine kinase, early and late SV40, LTRs from retrovirus, and mouse metallothionein-I. Selection of the appropriate vector and promoter is well within the level of ordinary skill in the art.

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In a further embodiment, the present invention relates to host cells containing the above-described constructs. The host cell can be a higher eukaryotic cell, such as a mammalian cell, or a lower eukaryotic cell, such as a yeast cell, or the host cell can be a prokaryotic cell, such as a bacterial cell. Introduction of the construct into the host cell can be effected by calcium phosphate transfection, DEAE-Dextran mediated transfection, or electroporation (Davis, L., Dibner, M., Battey, I., Basic Methods in Molecular Biology, (1986)).

The constructs in host cells can be used in a conventional manner to produce the gene product encoded by the recombinant sequence. Alternatively, the polypeptides of the invention can be synthetically produced by conventional peptide synthesizers.

Mature proteins can be expressed in mammalian cells, yeast, bacteria, or other cells under the control of appropriate promoters. Cell-free translation systems can also be employed to produce such proteins using RNAs derived from the DNA constructs of the present invention. Appropriate cloning and expression vectors for use with prokaryotic and eukaryotic hosts are described by Sambrook, et al., Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Second Edition, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., (1989), the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

Transcription of the DNA encoding the polypeptides

of the present invention by higher eukaryotes is increased by inserting an enhancer sequence into the vector. Enhancers are cis-acting elements of DNA, usually about from 10 to 300 bp that act on a promoter to increase its transcription. Examples including the SV40 enhancer on the late side of the replication origin bp 100 to 270, a cytomegalovirus early promoter enhancer, the polyoma enhancer on the late side of the replication origin, and adenovirus enhancers.

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Generally, recombinant expression vectors will include origins of replication and selectable markers permitting transformation of the host cell, e.g., the ampicillin resistance gene of E. coli and S. cerevisiae TRP1 gene, and a promoter derived from a highly-expressed gene to direct transcription of a downstream structural sequence. Such promoters can be derived from operons encoding glycolytic enzymes such as 3-phosphoglycerate kinase (PGK),  $\alpha$ -factor, acid phosphatase, or heat shock proteins, among others. The heterologous structural sequence is assembled in appropriate phase with translation initiation and termination sequences. Optionally, the heterologous sequence can encode a fusion protein including an N-terminal identification peptide imparting desired characteristics, e.g., stabilization or simplified purification of expressed recombinant product.

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Useful expression vectors for bacterial use are constructed by inserting a structural DNA sequence encoding a desired protein together with suitable translation initiation and termination signals in operable reading phase with a functional promoter. The vector will comprise one or more phenotypic selectable markers and an origin of replication to ensure maintenance of the vector and to, if desirable, provide amplification within the host. Suitable prokaryotic hosts for transformation include E. coli, Bacillus subtilis, Salmonella typhimurium and various species within the genera Pseudomonas,

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Streptomyces, and Staphylococcus, although others may also be employed as a matter of choice.

5 As a representative but nonlimiting example, useful expression vectors for bacterial use can comprise a selectable marker and bacterial origin of replication derived from commercially available plasmids comprising genetic elements of the well known cloning vector pBR322 (ATCC 37017). Such commercial vectors include, for  
10 example, pKK223-3 (Pharmacia Fine Chemicals, Uppsala, Sweden) and GEM1 (Promega Biotec, Madison, WI, USA). These pBR322 "backbone" sections are combined with an appropriate promoter and the structural sequence to be expressed.

15 Following transformation of a suitable host strain and growth of the host strain to an appropriate cell density, the selected promoter is induced by appropriate means (e.g., temperature shift or chemical induction) and  
20 cells are cultured for an additional period.

Cells are typically harvested by centrifugation, disrupted by physical or chemical means, and the resulting crude extract retained for further purification.

25 Microbial cells employed in expression of proteins can be disrupted by any convenient method, including freeze-thaw cycling, sonication, a french press, mechanical disruption, or use of cell lysing agents, such  
30 methods are well known to those skilled in the art. However, preferred are host cells which secrete the polypeptide of the invention and permit recovery of the polypeptide from the culture media.

35 Various mammalian cell culture systems can also be employed to express recombinant protein. Examples of mammalian expression systems include the COS-7 lines of monkey kidney fibroblasts, described by Gluzman, Cell, 23:175 (1981), and other cell lines capable of expressing

a compatible vector, for example, the C127, 3T3, CHO, HeLa and BHK cell lines. Mammalian expression vectors will comprise an origin of replication, a suitable promoter and enhancer, and also any necessary ribosome binding sites, polyadenylation site, splice donor and acceptor sites, transcriptional termination sequences, and 5' flanking nontranscribed sequences. DNA sequences derived from the SV40 splice, and polyadenylation sites may be used to provide the required nontranscribed genetic elements.

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The polypeptides can be recovered and/or purified from recombinant cell cultures by well-known protein recovery and purification methods. Such methodology may include ammonium sulfate or ethanol precipitation, acid extraction, anion or cation exchange chromatography, phosphocellulose chromatography, hydrophobic interaction chromatography, affinity chromatography, hydroxylapatite chromatography and lectin chromatography. Protein refolding steps can be used, as necessary, in completing configuration of the mature protein. In this respect, chaperones may be used in such a refolding procedure. Finally, high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) can be employed for final purification steps.

25 The polypeptides that are useful as immunogens in the present invention may be a naturally purified product, or a product of chemical synthetic procedures, or produced by recombinant techniques from a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host (for example, by bacterial, yeast, higher plant, insect and mammalian cells in culture). Depending upon the host employed in a recombinant production procedure, the polypeptides of the present invention may be glycosylated or may be non-glycosylated. Particularly preferred immunogens are truncated pneumococcal polypeptides that comprise a single highly conserved alpha helical area, but do not comprise a choline binding region or a HPS region. Therefore, antibodies against such polypeptides should bind to other pneumococcal bacterial species (in addition to the *S. pneumoniae* species from

which such polypeptides were derived) and vaccines against such *S. pneumoniae* should give protection against other pneumococcal bacterial infections.

5        Procedures for the isolation of the individually expressed alpha-helical containing polypeptides may be isolated by recombinant expression/isolation methods that are well-known in the art. Typical examples for such isolation may utilize an antibody to a conserved area of  
10       the protein or to a His tag or cleavable leader or tail that is expressing as part of the protein structure.

      The polypeptides, their fragments or other derivatives, or analogs thereof, or cells expressing them  
15       can be used as an immunogen to produce antibodies thereto.

      These antibodies can be, for example, polyclonal or monoclonal antibodies. The present invention also includes chimeric, single chain, and humanized antibodies, as well as Fab fragments, or the product of an Fab  
20       expression library. Various procedures known in the art may be used for the production of such antibodies and fragments.

      Antibodies generated against the polypeptides  
25       corresponding to a sequence of the present invention can be obtained by direct injection of the polypeptides into an animal or by administering the polypeptides to an animal, preferably a nonhuman. The antibody so obtained will then bind the polypeptides itself. In this manner,  
30       even a sequence encoding only a fragment of the polypeptides can be used to generate antibodies binding the whole native polypeptides.

      For preparation of monoclonal antibodies, any  
35       technique which provides antibodies produced by continuous cell line cultures can be used. Examples include the hybridoma technique (Kohler and Milstein, 1975, Nature, 256:495-497), the trioma technique, the human B-cell hybridoma technique (Kozbor et al., 1983, Immunology Today

4:72), and the EBV-hybridoma technique to produce human monoclonal antibodies (Cole, et al., 1985, in Monoclonal Antibodies and Cancer Therapy, Alan R. Liss, Inc., pp. 77-96).

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Techniques described for the production of single chain antibodies (U.S. Patent 4,946,778) can be adapted to produce single chain antibodies to immunogenic polypeptide products of this invention. Also, transgenic mice may be used to express humanized antibodies to immunogenic polypeptide products of this invention.

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In order to facilitate understanding of the above description and the examples which follow below, as well as the Figures included herewith, Table 1 below sets forth the bacterial source for the polypeptides of SEQ ID NOS:3-18 and the polynucleotides encoding them (SEQ ID NOS:20-35, respectively). The name and/or type of bacteria is specified and a credit or source is named. The sequences from such types of bacteria are for illustrative purposes only since by utilizing probes and/or primers as described herein other sequences of similar type may be readily obtained by utilizing only routine skill in the art.

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TABLE 1

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SEQ ID NO.	Type Of Pneumococcus	Source Credit or ATCC No.
3	1	ATCC 33400
4	2	SPATCC 11733
5	2	ATCC2 (catalog #6302)
6	4	ATCC4 (catalog #6304)
7	6B	ATCC 6B (catalog #6326)
8	18C	SPATCC 18C (ATCC catalog #10356)

**TABLE 1**  
(Continued)

SEQ ID NO.	Type Of Pneumococcus	Source Credit or ATCC No.
9	4	Norway type 4; Nat'l. Inst. of Public Health, Norway Ingeborg Aagerge
10	noncapsulated	R6X; Rockefeller Univ., Rob Masure (from D39, type 2)
11	6B	SPB 105; Boston Univ., Steve Pelton
12	23F	SPB 328; Boston Univ., Steve Pelton
13	14	SPB 331; Boston Univ., Steve Pelton
14	23F	SPB 365; Boston Univ., Steve Pelton
15	9V	SPR 332; Rockefeller Univ., Rob Masure
16	6B	SPSJ 2p; St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Pat Flynn (clinical isolate passaged 1x in mice for virulence)
17	14	SPSJ 9; St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Pat Flynn (clinical isolate - nares, pneumonia)
18	19A	SPSJ 12; St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Pat Flynn (clinical isolate)

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The present invention will be further described with reference to the following examples; however, it is to be understood that the present invention is not limited to such examples. All parts or amounts, unless otherwise specified, are by weight.

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**Example 1****Generation of CbpA Truncate Protein Vectors****A. Vector for Full Length CbpA (NR1XR2PC)**

5 A virulent serotype 4 *S. pneumoniae* strain, Norway 4 (obtained from I. Aaberge, National Institute of Public Health, Oslo, Norway) was used as a source of genomic DNA template for amplifying the polynucleotide encoding full-length CbpA. Full length CbpA was amplified with PCR  
10 primers SJ533 and SJ537 described below.

The degenerate forward primer SJ533 was designed based on the CbpA N-terminal sequence XENEG provided by H.R. Masure (St. Jude Children's Research Hospital,  
15 Memphis, TN). The SJ533 primer = 5' GGC GGA TCC ATG GA(A,G) AA(C,T) GA(A,G) GG 3'. It incorporates both BamHI and NcoI restriction sites and an ATG start codon.

20 The 3' reverse primer SJ537 = 5' GCC GTC GAC TTA GTT TAC CCA TTC ACC ATT GGC 3'

This primer incorporates a SalI restriction site for cloning purposes, and the natural stop codon from CbpA, and is based on type 4 and R6X sequence generated in-  
25 house.

PCR product generated from genomic DNA template with SJ533 and SJ537 was digested with BamHI and SalI, and cloned into the pQE30 expression vector (Qiagen, Inc.)  
30 digested with BamHI, XbaI, and SmaI. The type R6X template resulted in full-length vector PMI581 and the type 4 template DNA resulted in full-length vector PMI580.

**35 B. Vector for CbpA Truncate Protein (NR1XR2)**

The naturally occurring PvuII site in the end on the second amino repeat (nucleic acid 1228 of Type 4 sequence) was exploited to create a truncated version of

CbpA, containing only the amino terminus of the gene. To create the truncate clone, the full-length clone PMI580 (Type 4) or PMI581 (R6X) was digested with PvuII and XbaI, and the amino terminus along with a portion of the expression vector was isolated by size on an agarose gel. pQE30 was digested with XbaI and SmaI, and the band corresponding to the other half of the vector was also size selected on an agarose gel. The two halves were ligated and clones identified by restriction digest, then expressed. In this instance, the stop codon utilized is in the expression vector, so the protein expressed is larger than the predicted size due to additional amino acids at the 5' and 3' end of the cloning site.

C. Vector for CbpA Truncate Protein (NR1X)

A similar strategy was used to express only the first amino repeat of CbpA. Here the naturally occurring XmnI site between the two amino repeats (nucleic acid 856 of Type 4 sequence) was utilized. CbpA full-length clone PMI580 was digested with XmnI and AatII. Expression vector pQE30 was digested with AatII and SmaI. Once again, the two sized fragments were ligated, and clones were screened by restriction digest and expressed.

Example 2

Expression of CbpA Truncate Protein From Expression Vectors

All proteins are expressed from the vectors described in Examples 1A-1C in the Qia expressionist System (Qiagen) using the *E. coli* expression vector pQE30, and the amino terminus His6 tagged proteins are detected by western analysis using both anti-Histidine antibodies and gene specific antibodies.

The expressed CBP truncates were purified as follows.

A single colony was selected from plated bacteria

containing the recombinant plasmid and grown overnight at 37° in 6.0 ml LB buffer with 50 ug/ml Kanamycin and 100 ug/ml Ampicillin. This 6.0 ml culture was added to 1L LB with antibiotics at above concentrations. The culture  
5 was shaken at 37°C until  $A_{600} = \sim 0.400$ . 1M IPTG was added to the 1L culture to give a final concentration of 1mM. The culture was then shaken at 37°C for 3-4 h. The 1L culture was spun 15 min. in 250 ml conical tubes at 4000 rpm in a model J-6B centrifuge. The supernatant was  
10 discarded and the pellet stored at -20°C until use.

The 1L pellet was resuspended in 25 ml 50 mM  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$ , 10mM Tris, 6M  $\text{GuCl}$ , 300mM  $\text{NaCl}$ , pH 8.0 (Buffer A). This mixture was then rotated at room temperature  
15 for 30 minutes. The mixture was then subjected to sonication (VibraCell Sonicator, Sonics and Materials, Inc., Danbury, CT) using the microtip, two times, for 30 sec., at 50% Duty Cycle and with the output setting at 7.

The mixture was spun 5 min. at 10K in a JA20 rotor and  
20 the supernatant removed and discarded. The supernatant was loaded on a 10 ml Talon (Clonetech, Palo Alto, CA) resin column attached to a GradiFrac System (Pharmacia Biotech, Upsala, Sweden). The column was equilibrated with 100 ml Buffer A and washed with 200 ml of this  
25 buffer. A volume based pH gradient using 100% 50 mM  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$ , 8M Urea, 20mM MES, pH 6.0 (Buffer B) as the final target buffer was run over a total volume of 100 ml. Protein eluted at ~ 30% Buffer B. Eluted peaks were collected and pooled.

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For refolding, dialysis was carried out with a 2L volume of PBS at room temperature for approximately 3 hr. using dialysis tubing with a molecular weight cutoff of 14,000. The sample was then dialyzed overnight in 2L of  
35 PBS at 4°C. Additional buffer exchange was accomplished during the concentration of the protein using Centriprep-30 spin columns by adding PBS to the spun retentate and



respinning. The protein concentration was determined using the BCA protein assay and the purity visualized using a Coomassie stained 4-20% SDS-PAGE gel.

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### Example 3

#### Passive Protection with Anti-CbpA Truncate NR1XR2 Antisera

##### 10 A. Generation of Rabbit Immune Serum

Rabbit immune serum against CbpA truncate was generated at Covance (Denver, PA). Following collection of preimmune serum, a New Zealand white rabbit (#ME101) was immunized with 250 µg CbpA truncate NR1XR2 (containing both alpha helix I and alpha helix II amino acid N-terminal repeats that are prepared from 483:58) in Complete Freund's Adjuvant. The rabbit was given a boost of 125 µg CbpA truncate in Incomplete Freund's Adjuvant on day 21 and bled on days 31 and 52.

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##### B. Passive Protection in Mice

C3H/HeJ mice (5 mice/group) were passively immunized intraperitoneally with 100 µl of a 1:2 dilution of rabbit sera in sterile PBS (preimmune or day 31 immune sera). One hour after administration of serum, mice were challenged with 1600 cfu virulent serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae*, strain SP317 (obtained from H.R. Masure). Mice were monitored for 14 days for survival.

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Eighty percent of the mice immunized with rabbit immune serum raised against CbpA truncate NR1XR2 protein survived the challenge for 14 days (Figure 2). All mice immunized with preimmune rabbit serum were dead by day 7.

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##### C. Passive Protection in Mice (Higher Challenge Dose)

C3H/HeJ mice (10 mice/group) were passively immunized intraperitoneally with 100  $\mu$ l of a 1:2 dilution of rabbit sera in sterile PBS (preimmune or day 52 immune sera). One hour after administration of serum, mice were  
5 challenged with 3450 cfu virulent serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae*, strain SP317. Mice were monitored for 10 days for survival.

One hundred percent of the mice immunized with  
10 rabbit immune serum raised against CbpA truncate NR1XR2 protein survived the challenge for ten days (Figure 3). Ninety percent of the mice immunized with preimmune rabbit serum were dead at day 10.

15 D. *Passive Protection in Mice (Against High Virulence)*

C3H/HeJ mice (10 mice/group) were passively immunized intraperitoneally with 100  $\mu$ l of a 1:2 dilution of rabbit sera in sterile PBS (preimmune or day 52 immune  
20 sera). One hour after administration of serum, mice were challenged with 580 cfu virulent serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae*, strain SPSJ2 (provided by P. Flynn, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN). Mice were monitored for 10 days for survival.

25 Fifty percent of the mice immunized with rabbit immune serum raised against CbpA truncate NR1XR2 protein survived the challenge for 10 days (Figure 4). All of the mice immunized with preimmune rabbit serum were dead  
30 at day 8.

These data demonstrate that antibodies specific for CbpA are protective against systemic pneumococcal infection. The data further indicate that the choline-  
35 binding region is not necessary for protection, as antibody specific for truncated protein NR1XR2, lacking the choline-binding repeats, was sufficient for protection. In addition, serum directed against

recombinant CbpA protein based on a serotype 4 sequence, was still protective against challenge with two different strains of serotype 6B.

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#### Example 4

##### Active Protection with Anti-CbpA Truncates NR1X and NR1XR2

10           A. Active Protection With NR1X Truncate Vaccination  
C3H/HeJ mice (10/group) were immunized intraperitoneally with CbpA truncate protein NR1X (15µg in 50 µl PBS, plus 50 µl Complete Freund's Adjuvant). A group of 10 sham immunized mice received PBS and adjuvant. A second immunization was administered four  
15 weeks later, 15 µg protein i.p. with Incomplete Freund's Adjuvant (sham group received PBS plus IFA). Blood was drawn (retro-orbital bleed) at weeks 3, 6, and 9 for analysis of immune response. The ELISA end point anti-CbpA truncate titer of pooled sera from the 10 CbpA  
20 immunized mice at 9 weeks was 4,096,000. No antibody was detected in sera from sham immunized mice. Mice were challenged at week 10 with 560 CFU serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae* strain SPSJ2. Mice were monitored for 14 days for survival.

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Eighty percent of the mice immunized with CbpA truncate protein NR1X survived the challenge for 14 Days (results shown in Figure 5). All sham immunized mice were dead by day 8.

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##### B. Active Protection With NR1XR2 Truncate Vaccination

C3H/HeJ mice (10/group) were immunized intraperitoneally with CbpA truncate protein NR1XR2 (15µg  
35 in 50 µl PBS, plus 50 µl Complete Freund's Adjuvant). A group of 10 control immunized mice received pneumococcal recombinant protein SP90 and adjuvant. A second

immunization was administered four weeks later, 15µg protein i.p. with Incomplete Freund's Adjuvant. Blood was drawn (retro-orbital bleed) at weeks 3, 6, and 9 for analysis of immune response. The ELISA end point anti-  
5 CbpA truncate titer of pooled sera from the 10 CbpA immunized mice at 9 weeks was 4,096,000. Mice were challenged at week 10 with 680 CFU serotype 6B *S. pneumoniae* strain SPSJ2. Mice were monitored for 14 days for survival.

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Fifty percent of the mice immunized with CbpA truncate protein NR1XR2 survived the challenge for 14 days (results shown in Figure 6). All control immunized mice were dead by day 9.

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These data demonstrate that immunization with recombinant CbpA truncate proteins elicit production of specific antibodies capable of protecting against systemic pneumococcal infection and death. The data  
20 further indicate that the choline-binding region is not necessary for protection, as the immunogens were truncated proteins NR1X and NR1XR2. Additionally, the results suggest that a single amino terminal repeat may be sufficient to elicit a protective response. Cross  
25 protection is demonstrated as the recombinant pneumococcal protein was generated based on serotype 4 DNA sequence and protection was observed following challenge with a serotype 6B isolate.

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Numerous modifications and variations of the present invention are possible in light of the above teachings and, therefore, within the scope of the appended claims, the invention may be practiced otherwise than as  
35 particularly described.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A vaccine against bacterial infections comprising an immunogen which is a polypeptide truncate  
5 of a pneumococcal surface-binding protein, analog or variant having a highly conserved immunogenic alpha-helical portion with respect to different types of pneumococcal bacteria, which polypeptide does not include a choline-binding portion.
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2. A vaccine according to claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence of said alpha-helical portion has at least 75 % identity with respect to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.
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3. A vaccine according to claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence of said alpha-helical portion has at least 85 % identity with respect to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.
- 20
4. A vaccine according to claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence of said alpha-helical portion has at least 90 % identity with respect to the amino acid sequence of a member consisting of:
- 25
- (a) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, and
  - (b) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:19.
5. A vaccine according to claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence of said alpha-helical portion has  
30 at least 95 % identity with respect to the amino acid sequence of a member selected from the group consisting of:
- (a) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, and
  - (b) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:19.
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6. A vaccine according to claim 1, wherein said vaccine is for preventing or treating otitis media, sepsis, meningitis and lobar pneumonia infections.

7. A vaccine according to claim 6, wherein said vaccine is for invasive infections.

8. A vaccine according to claim 6, wherein  
5 said vaccine is for otitis media infections caused by *S. pneumoniae*.

9. A vaccine according to claim 1, wherein said polypeptide truncate comprise an amino acid sequence  
10 which has at least 90 % identity with respect to a member selected from the group consisting of the amino acid sequences of each of SEQ ID NOS:3 to 18.

10. A vaccine according to claim 1, wherein  
15 said polypeptide truncate comprise an amino acid sequence which has at least 95 % identity with respect to a member selected from the group consisting of the amino acid sequences of each of SEQ ID NOS:3 to 18.

20 11. An antibody raised against an immunogen which is a polypeptide truncate of a pneumococcal surface-binding protein, analog or variant having a highly conserved immunogenic alpha-helical portion with respect to different types of pneumococcal bacteria,  
25 which polypeptide does not include a choline-binding portion.

12. An antibody according to claim 11, wherein the amino acid sequence of said alpha-helical portion has  
30 at least 85 % identity with respect to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

13. An antibody according to claim 11, wherein the amino acid sequence of said alpha-helical portion has  
35 at least 90 % identity with respect to the amino acid sequence of a member selected from the group consisting of:

(a) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1,  
and

(b) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:19.

14. An antibody according to claim 11, wherein the amino acid sequence of said alpha-helical portion has at least 95 % identity with respect to the amino acid sequence of a member selected from the group consisting of:

(a) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, and

(b) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:19.

15. An antibody according to claim 11, wherein said polypeptide truncate comprise an amino acid sequence which has at least 95 % identity with respect to a member selected from the group consisting of the amino acid sequences of each of SEQ ID NOS:3 to 18.

16. An antibody according to claim 11, wherein said antibody is an antibody that will detect *S. pneumoniae* infections.

17. An antibody according to claim 15, wherein said antibody is effective for the prevention and/or treatment of *S. pneumoniae* infections.

18. An antibody according to claim 15, wherein said antibody is effective for the prevention and/or treatment of pneumococcal infections caused by types 1-5, 6A, 6B, 7F, 8, 9N, 9V, 10A, 11A, 12F, 14, 15B, 17F, 18C, 19F, 19A, 20, 22F, 23F and 33F *S. pneumoniae* bacteria.

19. A method for preventing and/or treating pneumococcal infections in a host comprising immunizing said host with a member selected from the group consisting of:

(a) a vaccine according to claim 2, and  
(b) at least one antibody raised against an immunogen which is a polypeptide truncate of a pneumococcal surface-binding protein, analog or variant

comprising an amino acid sequence that is has at least 90  
% identity to the amino acid sequence of a member  
selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:3 to 18,  
which polypeptide does not include a choline-binding  
5 portion.

20. A polypeptide comprising an amino acid  
sequence which has at least 90 % identity with respect to  
a member selected from the group consisting of the amino  
10 acid sequences of each of SEQ ID NOS:3 to 18.

21. An isolated polynucleotide comprising  
polynucleotide sequence having at least 90 % identity to  
a member selected from the group consisting of:  
15 (a) a polynucleotide coding sequence encoding  
a polypeptide comprising a member selected from the group  
consisting of the amino acid sequences of each of SEQ ID  
NOS:3 to 18, and  
(b) and the complement of (a).



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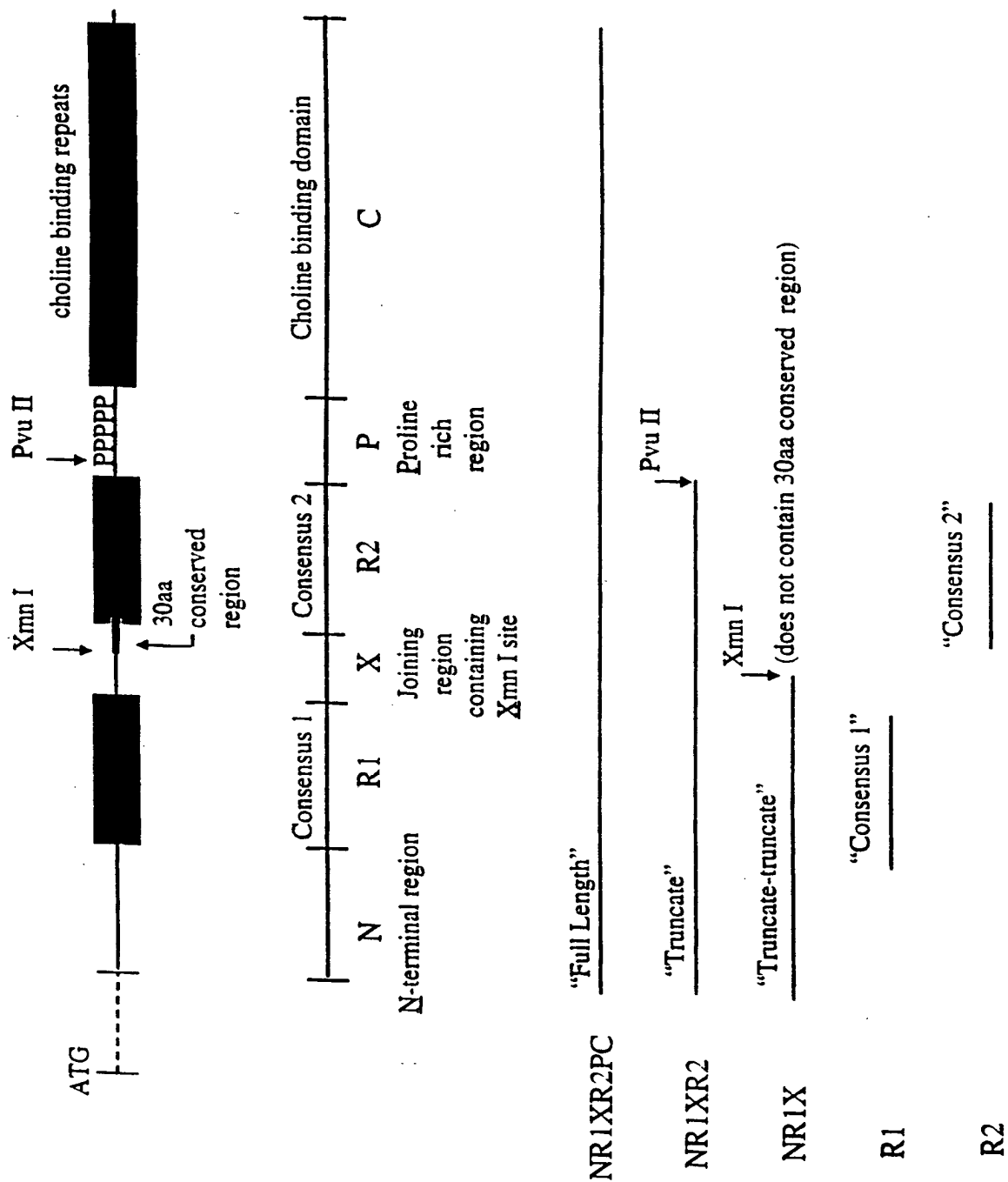
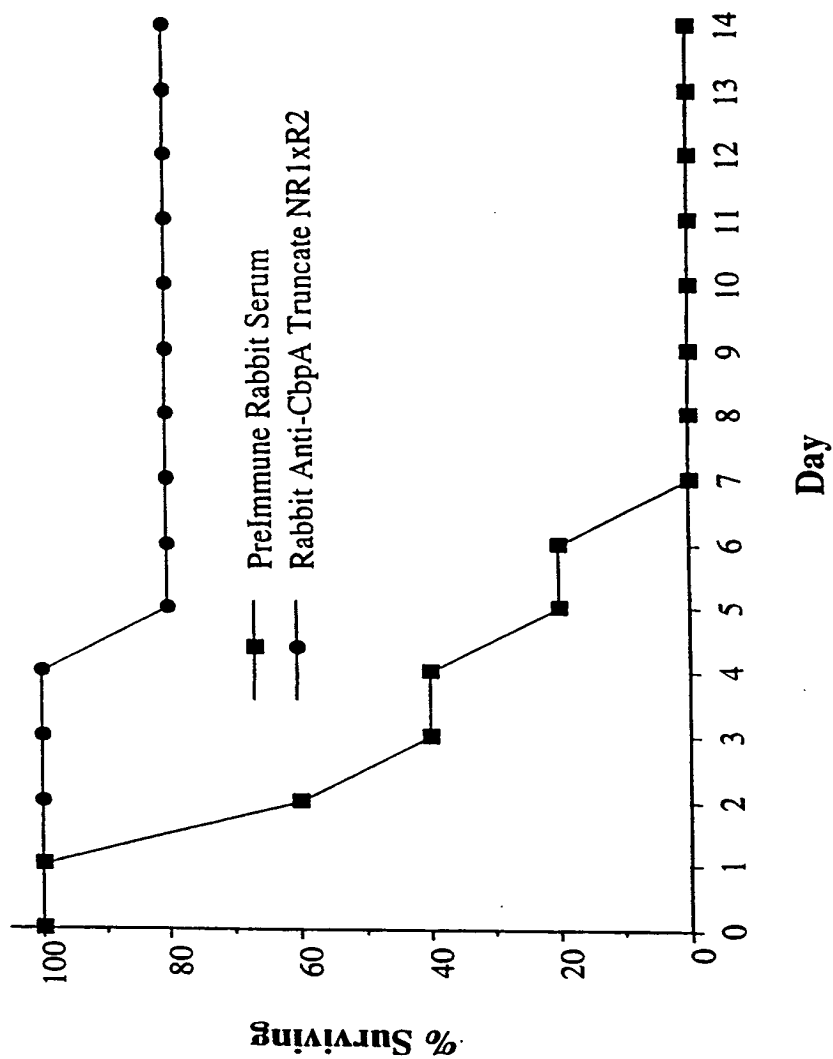
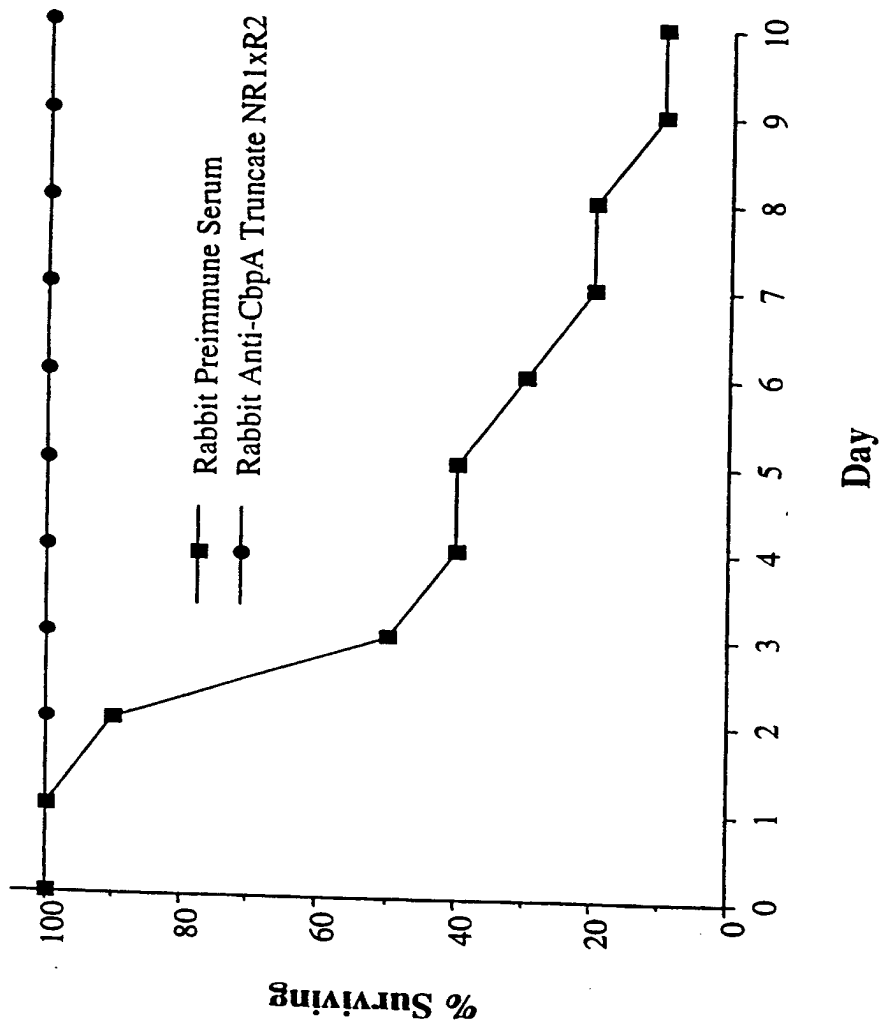


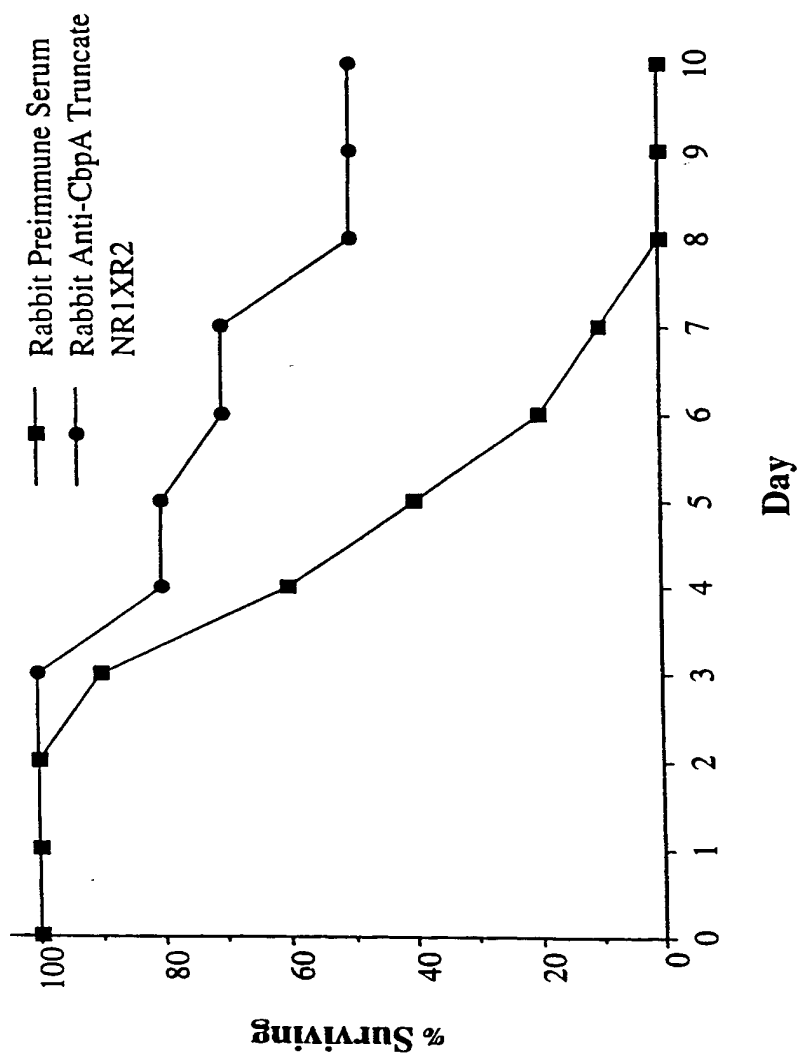
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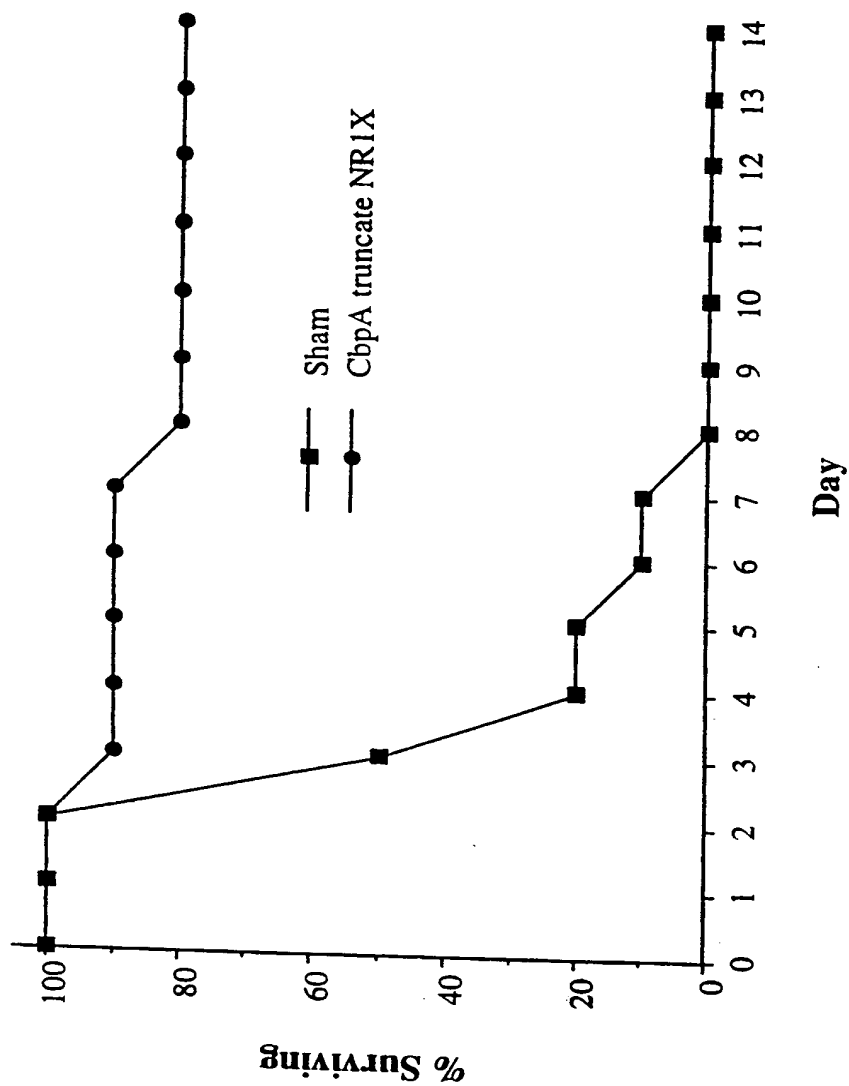
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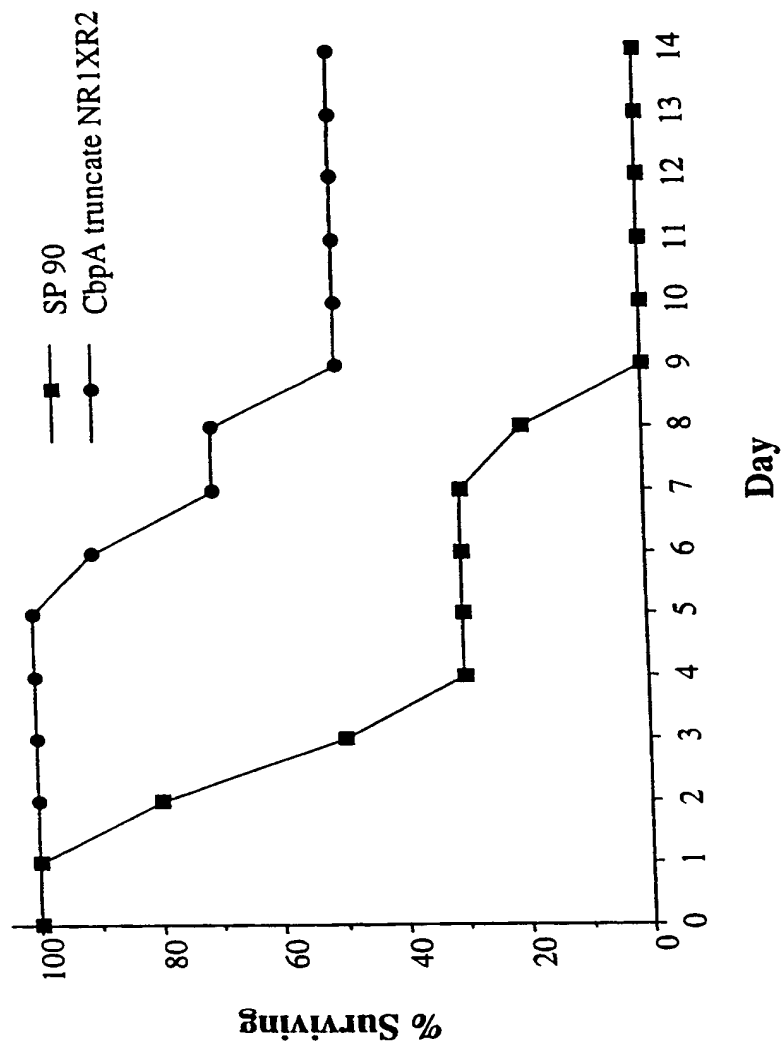
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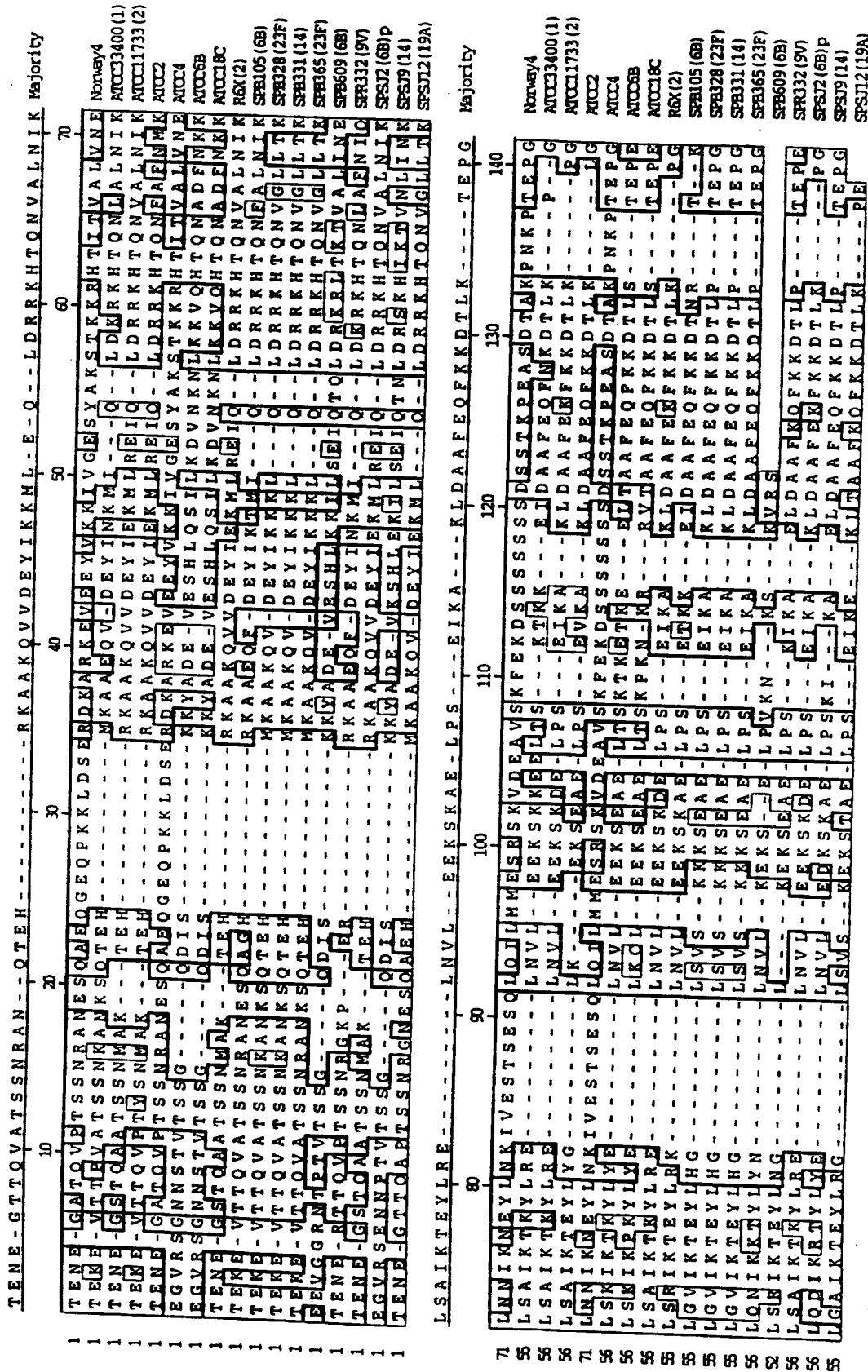
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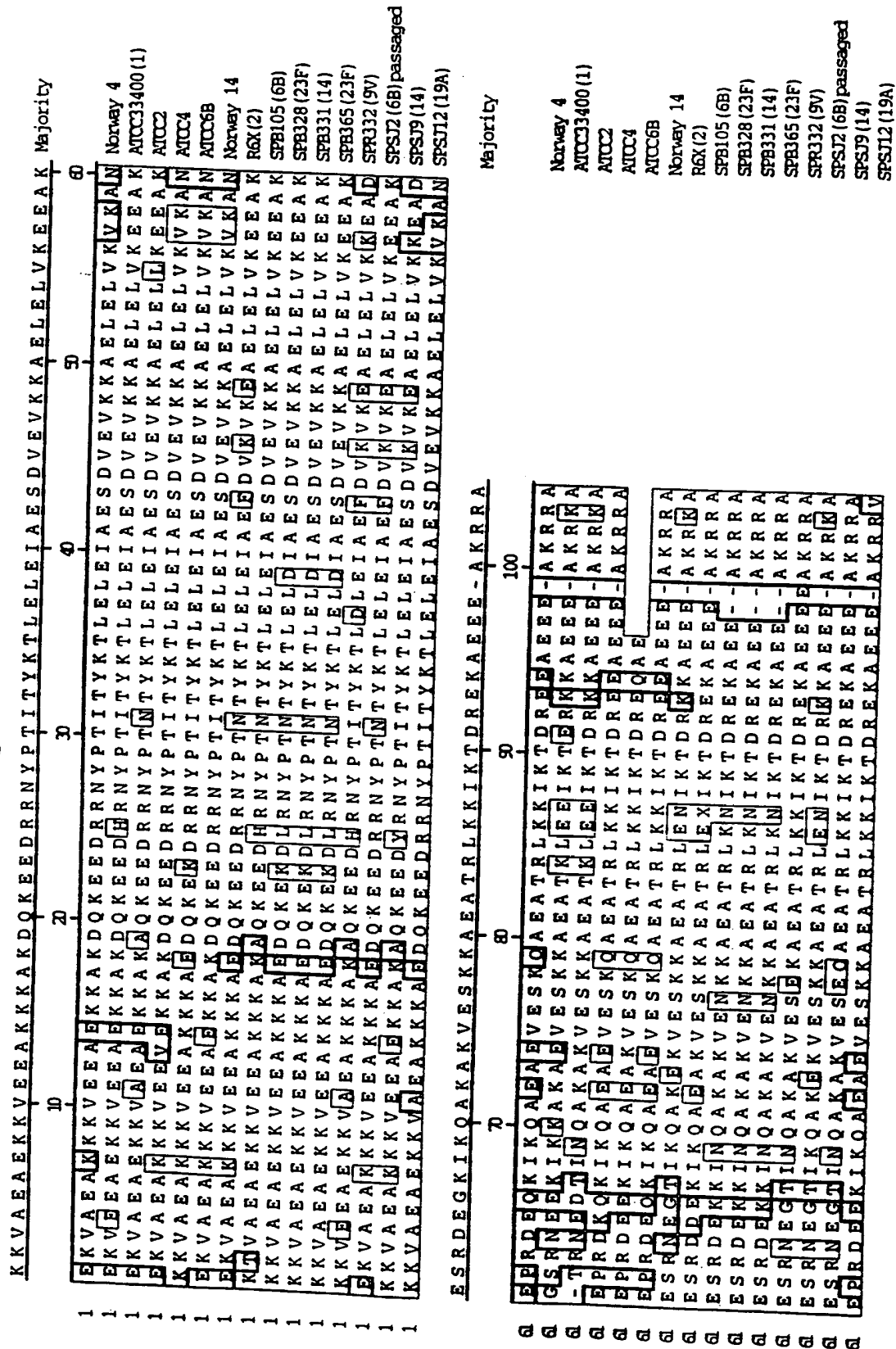
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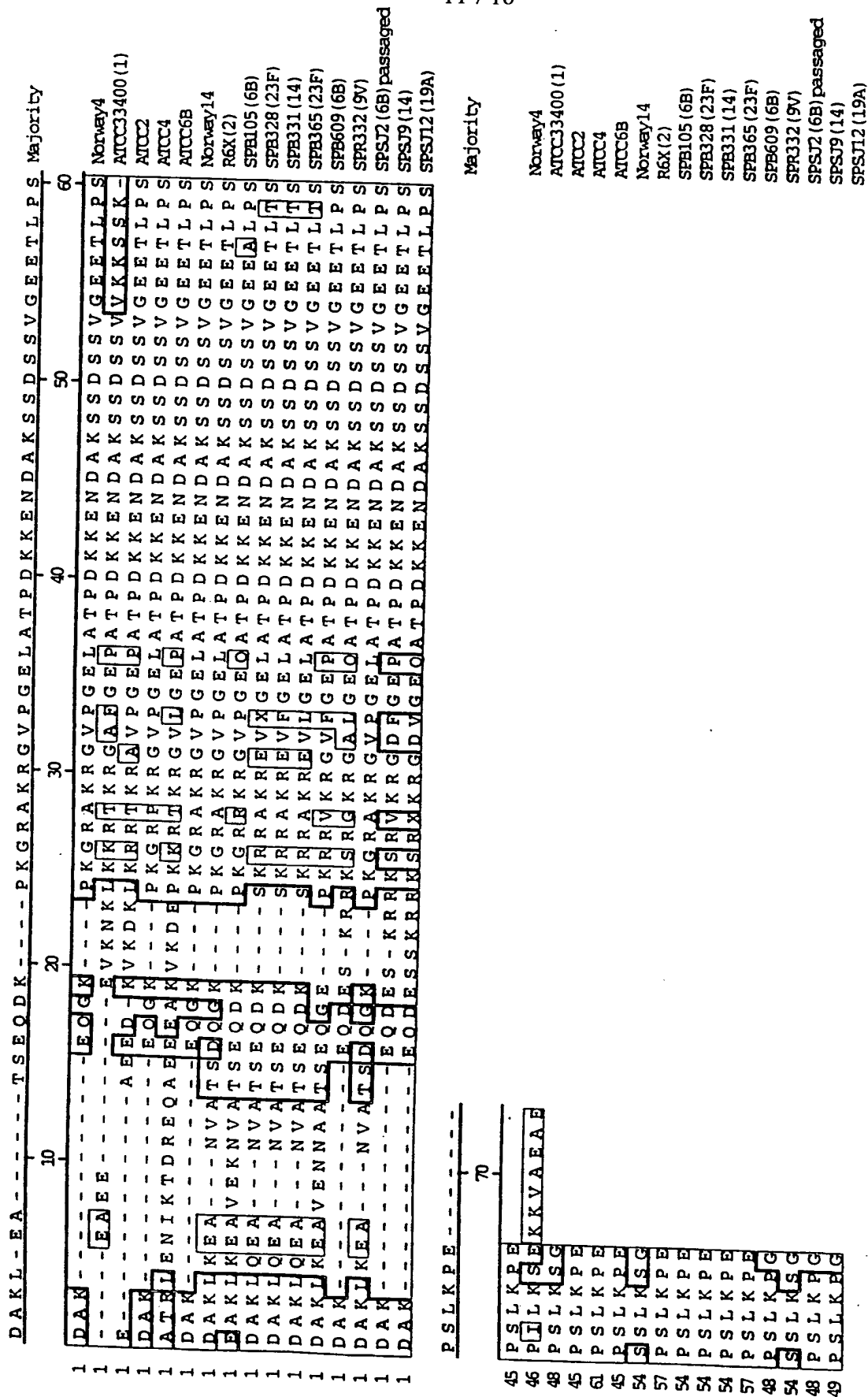
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3			86.4	88.3	88.3	86.4	88.3	89.3	87.4	86.4	87.4	86.4	90.3	89.3	84.5	85.4	91.3
4				90.3	88.3	86.4	90.3	93.2	95.1	84.5	85.4	84.5	93.2	93.2	92.2	90.3	91.3
5					98.1	96.1	100.0	91.3	91.3	90.3	91.3	90.3	92.2	91.3	94.2	97.1	97.1
6						96.1	98.1	91.3	89.3	90.3	91.3	90.3	88.3	87.4	92.2	95.1	95.1
7							96.1	87.4	87.4	86.4	87.4	86.4	88.3	87.4	92.2	93.2	93.2
8								91.3	91.3	90.3	91.3	90.3	92.2	91.3	94.2	97.1	97.1
9									92.2	87.4	88.3	87.4	94.2	100.0	89.3	91.3	92.2
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Lys Glu Ser Arg Asn Glu Gly Thr Ile Lys Gln Ala Lys Glu Lys Val
          165              170              175
Glu Ser Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Glu Asn Ile Lys Thr Asp
          180              185              190
Arg Lys Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Lys Ala Ala Glu Glu Asp
          195              200              205
Lys Val Lys Glu Lys Pro Ala Glu Gln Pro Gln Pro Ala Pro Ala Thr
          210              215              220
Gln Pro Glu Lys Pro Ala Pro Lys Pro Glu Lys Pro Ala Glu Gln Pro
          225              230              235              240
Lys Ala Glu Lys Thr Asp Asp Gln Gln Ala Glu
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&lt;210&gt; 5

&lt;211&gt; 413

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

<223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of

*Streptococcus pneumoniae*

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Lys Thr Glu His Arg Lys Ala Ala Lys Gln Val Val Asp Glu Thr Ile
          20           25           30

Glu Lys Met Leu Arg Glu Ile Gln Leu Asp Arg Arg Lys His Thr Gln
          35           40           45

Asn Phe Ala Phe Asn Met Lys Leu Ser Ala Ile Lys Thr Glu Tyr Leu
          50           55           60

Tyr Gly Leu Lys Glu Lys Ser Glu Ala Glu Leu Pro Ser Glu Val Lys
          65           70           75           80

Ala Lys Leu Asp Ala Ala Phe Glu Gln Phe Lys Lys Asp Thr Leu Lys
          85           90           95

Pro Gly Glu Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu
          100          105          110

Lys Lys Ala Lys Ala Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp Arg Arg Asn Tyr Pro Thr
          115          120          125

Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Glu Ile Ala Glu Ser Asp Val Glu
          130          135          140

Val Lys Lys Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Leu Lys Glu Glu Ala Lys Thr Arg
          145          150          155          160

Asn Glu Asp Thr Ile Asn Gln Ala Lys Ala Lys Val Glu Ser Lys Lys
          165          170          175

Ala Glu Ala Thr Leu Lys Glu Glu Ile Lys Thr Asp Arg Lys Lys Ala
          180          185          190

Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Lys Ala Glu Ala Glu Glu Asp Lys Val Lys
          195          200          205

Asp Lys Leu Lys Arg Arg Thr Lys Arg Ala Val Pro Gly Glu Pro Ala
          210          215          220

Thr Phe Phe Lys Lys Glu Asn Asp Ala Lys Ser Ser Asp Ser Ser Val
          225          230          235          240

Gly Glu Glu Thr Leu Pro Ser Pro Ser Leu Lys Ser Gly Lys Lys Val
          245          250          255

Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Ala Lys Asp
          260          265          270

Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp Arg Arg Asn Tyr Pro Thr Asn Thr Thr Lys Thr
          275          280          285

Leu Asp Leu Glu Ile Ala Glu Ser Asp Val Lys Val Lys Glu Ala Glu
          290          295          300

Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Glu Glu Ala Lys Gly Ser Arg Asn Glu Glu Lys
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Pro Lys Ala Glu Lys Thr Asp Asp Gln Gln Ala Glu Glu  
405 410

<213> Artificial Sequence

<223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of *Streptococcus pneumoniae*

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                   180                                  185                                  190  
 Glu Leu Val Lys Val Lys Ala Asn Glu Pro Arg Asp Lys Gln Lys Ile  
                   195                                  200                                  205  
 Lys Gln Ala Glu Ala Glu Val Glu Ser Lys Gln Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg  
                   210                                  215                                  220  
 Leu Lys Lys Ile Lys Thr Asp Arg Glu Glu Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys  
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 Arg Arg Ala Asp Ala Lys Glu Gln Gly Lys Pro Lys Gly Arg Pro Lys  
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 Arg Gly Val Pro Gly Glu Leu Ala Thr Pro Asp Lys Lys Glu Asn Asp  
                                   260                                  265                                  270  
 Ala Lys Ser Ser Asp Ser Ser Val Gly Glu Glu Thr Leu Pro Ser Pro  
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 Ser Leu Lys Pro Glu Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Val Glu  
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 Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Glu Asp Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp Arg Arg Asn  
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 Tyr Pro Thr Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Glu Ile Ala Glu Ser  
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 Asp Val Glu Val Lys Lys Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Glu Glu Ala  
                                   340                                  345                                  350  
 Lys Glu Pro Arg Asn Glu Glu Lys Val Lys Gln Ala Lys Ala Glu Val  
                                   355                                  360                                  365  
 Glu Ser Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Glu Lys Ile Lys Thr Asp  
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 Arg Lys Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Lys Ala Ala Glu Glu Asp  
                                   385                                  390                                  395                                  400  
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 Lys Thr Glu Lys Pro Ala Pro Ala Pro Lys Pro Glu Asn Pro Ala Glu  
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&lt;210&gt; 7

&lt;211&gt; 428

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

<223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of  
 Streptococcus pneumoniae

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 20 25 30  
 Ile Leu Lys Asp Val Asn Lys Asn Leu Lys Lys Val Gln His Thr Gln  
 35 40 45  
 Asn Ala Asp Phe Asn Lys Lys Leu Ser Lys Ile Lys Thr Lys Tyr Leu  
 50 55 60  
 Tyr Glu Leu Asn Val Leu Glu Glu Lys Ser Glu Ala Glu Leu Thr Ser  
 65 70 75 80  
 Lys Thr Lys Glu Thr Lys Glu Glu Leu Thr Ala Ala Phe Glu Gln Phe  
 85 90 95  
 Lys Lys Asp Thr Leu Ser Thr Glu Pro Glu Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala  
 100 105 110  
 Lys Lys Lys Val Glu Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Glu Asp Gln Lys Glu  
 115 120 125  
 Lys Asp Arg Arg Asn Tyr Pro Thr Ile Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu  
 130 135 140  
 Glu Ile Ala Glu Ser Asp Val Glu Val Lys Lys Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu  
 145 150 155 160  
 Val Lys Val Lys Ala Asn Glu Pro Arg Asp Glu Glu Lys Ile Lys Gln  
 165 170 175  
 Ala Glu Ala Lys Val Glu Ser Lys Gln Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Lys  
 180 185 190  
 Lys Ile Lys Thr Asp Arg Glu Gln Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Glu Asn  
 195 200 205  
 Ile Lys Thr Asp Arg Glu Gln Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Val Lys Asp  
 210 215 220  
 Glu Pro Lys Lys Arg Thr Lys Arg Gly Val Leu Gly Glu Pro Ala Thr  
 225 230 235 240  
 Pro Asp Lys Lys Glu Asn Asp Ala Lys Ser Ser Asp Ser Ser Val Gly  
 245 250 255  
 Glu Glu Thr Leu Pro Ser Pro Ser Leu Lys Pro Glu Lys Lys Val Ala  
 260 265 270  
 Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Val Glu Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Glu Asp Gln  
 275 280 285  
 Lys Glu Glu Asp Arg Arg Asn Tyr Pro Thr Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu  
 290 295 300  
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<211> 446
<212> PRT
<213> Artificial Sequence
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<220>  
<223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of  
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			20					25					30						
Glu	Arg	Asp	Lys	Ala	Arg	Lys	Glu	Val	Glu	Glu	Tyr	Val	Lys	Lys	Ile				
		35					40					45							
Val	Gly	Glu	Ser	Tyr	Ala	Lys	Ser	Thr	Lys	Lys	Arg	His	Thr	Ile	Thr				
	50					55					60								
Val	Ala	Leu	Val	Asn	Glu	Leu	Asn	Asn	Ile	Lys	Asn	Glu	Tyr	Leu	Asn				
	65				70					75					80				
Lys	Ile	Val	Glu	Ser	Thr	Ser	Glu	Ser	Gln	Leu	Gln	Ile	Leu	Met	Met				
				85					90					95					
Glu	Ser	Arg	Ser	Lys	Val	Asp	Glu	Ala	Val	Ser	Lys	Phe	Glu	Lys	Asp				
			100					105					110						
Ser	Ser	Ser	Ser	Ser	Ser	Ser	Asp	Ser	Ser	Thr	Lys	Pro	Glu	Ala	Ser				
			115				120					125							
Asp	Thr	Ala	Lys	Pro	Asn	Lys	Pro	Thr	Glu	Pro	Gly	Glu	Lys	Val	Ala				
	130					135					140								
Glu	Ala	Lys	Lys	Lys	Val	Glu	Glu	Ala	Glu	Lys	Lys	Ala	Lys	Asp	Gln				
	145				150					155					160				
Lys	Glu	Glu	Asp	Arg	Arg	Asn	Tyr	Pro	Thr	Ile	Thr	Tyr	Lys	Thr	Leu				
				165					170					175					
Glu	Leu	Glu	Ile	Ala	Glu	Ser	Asp	Val	Glu	Val	Lys	Lys	Ala	Glu	Leu				
			180					185					190						
Glu	Leu	Val	Lys	Val	Lys	Ala	Asn	Glu	Pro	Arg	Asp	Glu	Gln	Lys	Ile				
		195					200					205							
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<210> 10
<211> 414
<212> PRT
<213> Artificial Sequence
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<223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of *Streptococcus pneumoniae*

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                20                               25                               30
Glu Lys Met Leu Arg Glu Ile Gln Leu Asp Arg Arg Lys His Thr Gln

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Glu Asp Lys Val Lys Glu Lys Pro Ala Glu Gln Pro Gln Pro Ala Pro  
 370 375 380

Ala Thr Gln Pro Glu Lys Pro Ala Pro Lys Pro Glu Lys Pro Ala Glu  
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Gln Pro Lys Ala Glu Lys Thr Asp Asp Gln Gln Ala Glu Glu  
 405 410

<210> 11

<211> 425

<212> PRT

<213> Artificial Sequence

<220>

<223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of  
*Streptococcus pneumoniae*

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 20 25 30

Tyr Ile Lys Thr Met Ile Gln Leu Asp Arg Arg Lys His Thr Gln Asn  
 35 40 45

Phe Ala Leu Asn Ile Lys Leu Ser Arg Ile Lys Thr Glu Tyr Leu Arg  
 50 55 60

Lys Leu Asn Val Leu Glu Glu Lys Ser Lys Ala Glu Leu Pro Ser Glu  
 65 70 75 80

Thr Lys Lys Glu Ile Asp Ala Ala Phe Glu Gln Phe Lys Lys Asp Thr  
 85 90 95

Asn Arg Thr Lys Lys Thr Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Val Glu Glu  
 100 105 110

Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Lys Ala Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp His Arg Asn Tyr  
 115 120 125

Pro Thr Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Glu Ile Ala Glu Ser Asp  
 130 135 140

Val Glu Val Lys Lys Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Glu Glu Ala Lys  
 145 150 155 160

Glu Ser Arg Asp Asp Glu Lys Ile Lys Gln Ala Glu Ala Lys Val Glu  
 165 170 175

Ser Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Glu Asn Ile Lys Thr Asp Arg  
 180 185 190

Glu Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Arg Ala Glu Ala Lys Leu Lys  
 195 200 205

Glu Ala Val Glu Lys Asn Val Ala Thr Ser Glu Gln Asp Lys Pro Lys  
 210 215 220

Gly Arg Arg Lys Arg Gly Val Pro Gly Glu Gln Ala Thr Pro Asp Lys  
 225 230 235 240  
 Lys Glu Asn Asp Ala Lys Ser Ser Asp Ser Ser Val Gly Glu Glu Ala  
 245 250 255  
 Leu Pro Ser Pro Ser Leu Lys Pro Glu Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu  
 260 265 270  
 Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Ala Lys Ala Gln Lys Glu Glu  
 275 280 285  
 Asp Arg Arg Asn Tyr Pro Thr Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Glu  
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 Ile Ala Glu Ser Asp Val Lys Val Lys Glu Ser Glu Leu Glu Leu Val  
 305 310 315 320  
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 Lys Ala Lys Val Glu Ser Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Glu Lys  
 340 345 350  
 Ile Lys Thr Asp Arg Lys Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Lys Ala  
 355 360 365  
 Ala Glu Glu Asp Lys Val Lys Glu Lys Pro Ala Glu Gln Pro Gln Pro  
 370 375 380  
 Ala Pro Ala Pro Gln Pro Glu Lys Pro Thr Glu Glu Pro Glu Asn Pro  
 385 390 395 400  
 Ala Pro Ala Pro Lys Pro Glu Lys Pro Ala Glu Gln Pro Lys Ala Glu  
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 Lys Thr Asp Asp Gln Gln Ala Glu Glu  
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&lt;210&gt; 12

&lt;211&gt; 426

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

<223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of  
 Streptococcus pneumoniae

&lt;400&gt; 12

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 20 25 30

Tyr Ile Lys Lys Lys Ile Gln Leu Asp Arg Arg Lys His Thr Gln Asn  
 35 40 45

Val Gly Leu Leu Thr Lys Leu Gly Val Ile Lys Thr Glu Tyr Leu His  
 50 55 60

Gly Leu Ser Val Ser Lys Lys Lys Ser Glu Ala Glu Leu Pro Ser Glu  
 65 70 75 80  
 Ile Lys Ala Lys Leu Asp Ala Ala Phe Glu Gln Phe Lys Lys Asp Thr  
 85 90 95  
 Leu Pro Thr Glu Pro Gly Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Val  
 100 105 110  
 Glu Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Glu Asp Gln Lys Glu Lys Asp Leu Arg  
 115 120 125  
 Asn Tyr Pro Thr Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Asp Ile Ala Glu  
 130 135 140  
 Ser Asp Val Glu Val Lys Lys Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Glu Glu  
 145 150 155 160  
 Ala Lys Glu Ser Arg Asp Glu Lys Lys Ile Asn Gln Ala Lys Ala Lys  
 165 170 175  
 Val Glu Asn Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Lys Asn Ile Lys Thr  
 180 185 190  
 Asp Arg Glu Lys Ala Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Arg Ala Asp Ala Lys Leu  
 195 200 205  
 Gln Glu Ala Asn Val Ala Thr Ser Glu Gln Asp Lys Ser Lys Arg Arg  
 210 215 220  
 Ala Lys Arg Glu Val Leu Gly Glu Leu Ala Thr Pro Asp Lys Lys Glu  
 225 230 235 240  
 Asn Asp Ala Lys Ser Ser Asp Ser Ser Val Gly Glu Glu Thr Leu Thr  
 245 250 255  
 Ser Pro Ser Leu Lys Pro Glu Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys  
 260 265 270  
 Val Glu Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Glu Asp Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp Arg  
 275 280 285  
 Arg Asn Tyr Pro Thr Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Glu Ile Ala  
 290 295 300  
 Glu Ser Asp Val Glu Val Lys Lys Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Glu  
 305 310 315 320  
 Glu Ala Lys Glu Ser Arg Asn Glu Glu Lys Ile Lys Gln Val Lys Ala  
 325 330 335  
 Lys Val Glu Ser Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Glu Asn Ile Lys  
 340 345 350  
 Thr Asp Arg Lys Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Arg Ala Ala  
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 Glu Glu Asp Lys Val Lys Glu Lys Pro Ala Glu Gln Pro Gln Pro Ala  
 370 375 380  
 Pro Ala Pro Gln Pro Glu Lys Pro Thr Glu Glu Pro Glu Asn Pro Ala  
 385 390 395 400

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<400> 13
Thr Glu Lys Glu Val Thr Thr Gln Val Ala Thr Ser Ser Asn Lys Ala
  1                               10                      15

Asn Lys Ser Gln Thr Glu His Met Lys Ala Ala Lys Gln Val Asp Glu
      20                      25                      30

Tyr Ile Lys Lys Lys Leu Gln Leu Asp Arg Arg Lys His Thr Gln Asn
      35                      40                      45

Val Gly Leu Leu Thr Lys Leu Gly Val Ile Lys Thr Glu Tyr Leu His
      50                      55                      60

Gly Leu Ser Val Ser Lys Lys Lys Ser Glu Ala Glu Leu Pro Ser Glu
      65                      70                      75                      80

Ile Lys Ala Lys Leu Asp Ala Ala Phe Glu Gln Phe Lys Lys Asp Thr
      85                      90                      95

Leu Pro Thr Glu Pro Gly Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Val
      100                      105                      110

Glu Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Glu Asp Gln Lys Glu Lys Asp Leu Arg
      115                      120                      125

Asn Tyr Pro Thr Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Asp Ile Ala Glu
      130                      135                      140

Ser Asp Val Glu Val Lys Lys Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Glu Glu
      145                      150                      155                      160

Ala Lys Glu Ser Arg Asp Glu Lys Lys Ile Asn Gln Ala Lys Ala Lys
      165                      170                      175

Val Glu Asn Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Lys Asn Ile Lys Thr
      180                      185                      190

Asp Arg Glu Lys Ala Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Arg Ala Asp Ala Lys Leu
      195                      200                      205

Gln Glu Ala Asn Val Ala Thr Ser Glu Gln Asp Lys Ser Lys Arg Arg
      210                      215                      220

Ala Lys Arg Glu Val Phe Gly Glu Leu Ala Thr Pro Asp Lys Lys Glu
      225                      230                      235                      240

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<211> 424
<212> PRT
<213> Artificial Sequence
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                20                      25          30
Tyr Ile Lys Lys Lys Leu Gln Leu Asp Arg Arg Lys His Thr Gln Asn
          35                          40          45
Val Gly Leu Leu Thr Lys Leu Gly Val Ile Lys Thr Glu Tyr Leu His
      50                      55          60
Gly Leu Ser Val Ser Lys Lys Lys Ser Glu Ala Glu Leu Pro Ser Glu
  65                      70          75          80

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405 410 415

Glu Lys Pro Ala Asp Gln Gln Ala  
420

<210> 15  
<211> 419  
<212> PRT  
<213> Artificial Sequence

<220>  
<223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of  
Streptococcus pneumoniae

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20 25 30

Lys Met Ile Gln Leu Asp Lys Arg Lys His Thr Gln Asn Leu Ala Phe  
35 40 45

Asn Ile Gln Leu Ser Arg Ile Lys Thr Glu Tyr Leu Asn Gly Leu Lys  
50 55 60

Glu Lys Ser Glu Ala Glu Leu Pro Ser Lys Ile Lys Ala Glu Leu Asp  
65 70 75 80

Ala Ala Phe Lys Gln Phe Lys Lys Asp Thr Leu Pro Thr Glu Pro Glu  
85 90 95

Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Val Glu Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys  
100 105 110

Val Ala Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Lys Ala Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp His  
115 120 125

Arg Asn Tyr Pro Thr Ile Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Asp Leu Glu Ile Ala  
130 135 140

Glu Phe Asp Val Lys Val Lys Glu Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Lys  
145 150 155 160

Glu Ala Asp Glu Ser Arg Asn Glu Gly Thr Ile Asn Gln Ala Lys Ala  
165 170 175

Lys Val Glu Ser Glu Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Lys Lys Ile Lys  
180 185 190

Thr Asp Arg Glu Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Arg Ala Asp  
195 200 205

Ala Lys Glu Gln Asp Glu Ser Lys Arg Arg Lys Ser Arg Gly Lys Arg  
210 215 220

Gly Ala Leu Gly Glu Gln Ala Thr Pro Asp Lys Lys Glu Asn Asp Ala  
225 230 235 240

Lys Ser Ser Asp Ser Ser Val Gly Glu Glu Thr Leu Pro Ser Pro Ser

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<210> 16
<211> 414
<212> PRT
<213> Artificial Sequence
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<220>  
<223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of  
Streptococcus pneumoniae

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35 40 45  
Asn Val Ala Leu Asn Ile Lys Leu Ser Ala Ile Lys Thr Lys Tyr Leu  
50 55 60  
Arg Glu Leu Asn Val Leu Glu Glu Lys Ser Lys Asp Glu Leu Pro Ser  
65 70 75 80  
Glu Ile Lys Ala Lys Leu Asp Ala Ala Phe Glu Lys Glu Lys Lys Asp

85 90 95  
 Thr Leu Lys Pro Gly Glu Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Val Glu  
 100 105 110  
 Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Glu Asp Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp Arg Arg Asn  
 115 120 125  
 Tyr Pro Thr Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Glu Ile Ala Glu Phe  
 130 135 140  
 Asp Val Lys Val Lys Glu Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Glu Glu Ala  
 145 150 155 160  
 Lys Glu Ser Arg Asn Glu Gly Thr Ile Lys Gln Ala Lys Glu Lys Val  
 165 170 175  
 Glu Ser Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Glu Asn Ile Lys Thr Asp  
 180 185 190  
 Arg Lys Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Lys Ala Asp Ala Lys Leu  
 195 200 205  
 Lys Glu Ala Asn Val Ala Thr Ser Asp Gln Gly Lys Pro Lys Gly Arg  
 210 215 220  
 Ala Lys Arg Gly Val Pro Gly Glu Leu Ala Thr Pro Asp Lys Lys Glu  
 225 230 235 240  
 Asn Asp Ala Lys Ser Ser Asp Ser Ser Val Gly Glu Glu Thr Leu Pro  
 245 250 255  
 Ser Ser Ser Leu Lys Ser Gly Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys  
 260 265 270  
 Val Glu Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Ala Lys Asp Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp Arg  
 275 280 285  
 Arg Asn Tyr Pro Thr Asn Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Asp Leu Glu Ile Ala  
 290 295 300  
 Glu Ser Asp Val Lys Val Lys Glu Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Glu  
 305 310 315 320  
 Glu Ala Lys Glu Pro Arg Asp Glu Glu Lys Ile Lys Gln Ala Lys Ala  
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 Lys Val Glu Ser Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Glu Asn Ile Lys  
 340 345 350  
 Thr Asp Arg Lys Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Lys Ala Ala Glu  
 355 360 365  
 Glu Asp Lys Val Lys Glu Lys Pro Ala Glu Gln Pro Gln Pro Ala Pro  
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 405 410

<210> 17  
 <211> 412  
 <212> PRT  
 <213> Artificial Sequence

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             20                    25                    30  
 Ile Leu Ser Glu Ile Gln Thr Asn Leu Asp Arg Ser Lys His Ile Lys  
             35                    40                    45  
 Thr Val Asn Leu Ile Asn Lys Leu Gln Asp Ile Lys Arg Thr Tyr Leu  
             50                    55                    60  
 Tyr Glu Leu Asn Val Leu Glu Asp Lys Ser Lys Ala Glu Leu Pro Ser  
             65                    70                    75                    80  
 Lys Ile Lys Ala Glu Leu Asp Ala Ala Phe Glu Gln Phe Lys Lys Asp  
                     85                    90                    95  
 Thr Leu Pro Thr Glu Pro Gly Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Lys Lys Lys  
             100                    105                    110  
 Val Glu Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Ala Lys Ala Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp Tyr  
             115                    120                    125  
 Arg Asn Tyr Pro Thr Ile Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Glu Ile Ala  
             130                    135                    140  
 Glu Ser Asp Val Lys Val Lys Glu Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Lys  
             145                    150                    155                    160  
 Glu Ala Asp Glu Ser Arg Asn Glu Gly Thr Ile Asn Gln Ala Lys Ala  
                     165                    170                    175  
 Lys Val Glu Ser Glu Gln Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Lys Lys Ile Lys  
             180                    185                    190  
 Thr Asp Arg Glu Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Arg Ala Asp Ala  
             195                    200                    205  
 Lys Glu Gln Asp Glu Ser Lys Arg Arg Lys Ser Arg Val Lys Arg Gly  
             210                    215                    220  
 Asp Phe Gly Glu Pro Ala Thr Pro Asp Lys Lys Glu Asn Asp Ala Lys  
             225                    230                    235                    240  
 Ser Ser Asp Ser Ser Val Gly Glu Glu Thr Leu Pro Ser Pro Ser Leu  
                     245                    250                    255  
 Lys Pro Gly Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Val Glu Glu Ala  
             260                    265                    270

Glu Lys Lys Ala Lys Asp Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp His Arg Asn Tyr Pro  
 275 280 285  
 Thr Ile Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Glu Ile Ala Glu Ser Asp Val  
 290 295 300  
 Glu Val Lys Lys Ala Glu Leu Glu Leu Val Lys Glu Glu Ala Lys Gly  
 305 310 315 320  
 Ser Arg Asn Glu Glu Lys Val Lys Gln Ala Lys Ala Glu Val Glu Ser  
 325 330 335  
 Lys Lys Ala Glu Ala Thr Arg Leu Glu Lys Ile Lys Thr Asp Arg Lys  
 340 345 350  
 Lys Ala Glu Glu Glu Ala Lys Arg Lys Ala Ala Glu Glu Asp Lys Val  
 355 360 365  
 Lys Glu Lys Pro Ala Glu Gln Pro Gln Pro Ala Pro Ala Pro Gln Pro  
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 Glu Lys Pro Ala Pro Ala Pro Lys Pro Glu Asn Pro Ala Glu Gln Pro  
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 405 410

<210> 18  
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 <223> Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of  
 Streptococcus pneumoniae

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 20 25 30  
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 35 40 45  
 Val Gly Leu Leu Thr Lys Leu Gly Ala Ile Lys Thr Glu Tyr Leu Arg  
 50 55 60  
 Gly Leu Ser Val Ser Lys Glu Lys Ser Thr Ala Glu Leu Pro Ser Glu  
 65 70 75 80  
 Ile Lys Glu Lys Leu Thr Ala Ala Phe Lys Gln Phe Lys Lys Asp Thr  
 85 90 95  
 Leu Lys Pro Glu Lys Lys Val Ala Glu Ala Glu Lys Lys Val Ala Glu  
 100 105 110  
 Ala Lys Lys Lys Ala Glu Asp Gln Lys Glu Glu Asp Arg Arg Asn Tyr  
 115 120 125

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Pro Thr Ile Thr Tyr Lys Thr Leu Glu Leu Glu Ile Ala Glu Ser Asp  
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&lt;210&gt; 19

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&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; Description: Amino acid sequence derived from a cDNA from the genome of



*Streptococcus pneumoniae*

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&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; Description: cDNA from Streptococcus pneumoniae

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&lt;210&gt; 22

&lt;211&gt; 1239

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&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

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&lt;210&gt; 23

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&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

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&lt;213&gt; Description: cDNA from Streptococcus pneumoniae

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&lt;211&gt; 1284

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&lt;210&gt; 28

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&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

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&lt;210&gt; 29

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# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

PCT/US 99/07680

## Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of Item 1 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☒ Claims Nos.: 19  
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:  
  
see FURTHER INFORMATION sheet PCT/ISA/210
2. ☐ Claims Nos.:  
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☐ Claims Nos.:  
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

## Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of Item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. ☐ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

### Remark on Protest

- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- ☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

Continuation of Box I.1

Although claim 19 is directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.

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Continuation of Box I.1

Claims Nos.: 19

Rule 39.1(iv) PCT - Method for treatment of the human or animal body by therapy



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